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'Someone knows' who slashed Joanna's tyre



BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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SEVEN children have now been arrested in connection with the manslaughter of a woman who died after her car tyre was slashed.

Joanna Smith, 32, of Wilks Way, Grange Park, was killed a year ago yesterday when her vehicle came off the A45 near Earls Barton as she travelled to work as a pharmacist in Irchester.

On the anniversary, detectives from Northamptonshire Police re-pealed for information to help catch her killer.

They revealed five boys and two girls, all aged between 13-17, have now been arrested in connection with her manslaughter. Police said no further action is being taken against them.

Detectives have carried out extensive investigations, including house-to-house inquiries and speaking to children at a number of schools in the area.

Mrs Smith's rear wheel tyre was deliberately damaged while it was parked in William's Way in Grange Park, Northampton, and she set off on her journey to Irchester without realising and it 'failed catastrophically'.

DCI Martin Kinchin, from the East Midlands Special Operations Unit Major Crime, does not believe her car was targeted.

However, a manslaughter investigation was launched last September. It is thought to be the first case of its kind in the UK.

Another three vehicles were subject to criminal damage the same evening.

Police are also investigating similar tyre damage to four cars in Bailey Brooks Lane and



Hyde Close in Roade overnight from July 30-31 last year.

DCI Kinchin said: "Although we do not believe the person who damaged Joanna's car set out to cause her death, their actions had a very serious outcome and her family deserve to know what happened."

"Anyone committing this kind of crime needs to stop and think about the potential consequences of their actions."

"Joanna's death shows that people can and do die from this kind of criminal damage."

"We believe someone knows who the offender is and we would ask them to think about the impact Joanna's death has had on her family and friends, and to give us any information they may have - either by calling 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111."

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DAMAGE: The terraced homes were damaged after a car left the road and collided with the outside wall

Passenger remains in hospital after house crash

A WOMAN is still in a serious condition after the car she was travelling in crashed into houses.

The 25-year-old was a passenger in a Vauxhall Vectra which 'overshot' the roundabout at the end of Little Billing Way, Northampton, and collided with an end-of-terrace house in Swinford Hollow.

The impact of the crash, which hit the side of the house around 10ft above the

ground, meant the occupants of three homes had to be moved out while repairs are made to their properties. No one in either of the three houses was injured.

The driver of the car was arrested at Northampton General Hospital, where he was taken after the incident last Wednesday at about 8.30pm.

The 33-year-old, from Thorplands, was arrested on suspicion of grievous

bodily harm and later released on bail pending further enquiries.

The passenger was taken to Walsgrave Hospital in Coventry where she still remains in a serious condition.

Officers would like to speak to anyone who may have witnessed this incident or who may have any information regarding it.

Contact Northamptonshire Police's Drivewatch Hotline on 0800 174615.

Building firms hit by safety crackdown across county

BY LAWRENCE JOHN

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EIGHT construction firms have been handed enforcement notices as part of a county crackdown by the Health and Safety Executive.

Inspectors visited 32 sites and found eight locations in Northamptonshire did not meet the minimum legal standards for health and safety.

As a result, four prohibition notices stopped some work activities immediately and

four improvement notices were issued, which required changes to be made to working practices.

The inspectors visited sites where refurbishment or repair work was taking place to support a drive to improve standards in one of Britain's most dangerous industries.

They made unannounced visits to ensure companies were managing high-risk activity, such as working at height.

They also checked for general good order, assessed

welfare facilities and checked whether personal protective equipment, such as head gear, was being used appropriately.

Richard Lockwood, HSE Principal Inspector for Construction in Northamptonshire, said: "It's good news that the majority of the construction sites we visited were obeying the law.

"But sadly some sites are letting down the rest of the industry.

"Unsafe work at height, exposure to dangerous types

of dust and inadequate washing facilities were among the poor standards we found on some sites.

"I hope by carrying out these spot checks we will help to raise awareness of the dangers and reduce the number of construction workers being killed or seriously injured at work."

This initiative was to remind those working in the industry that poor standards are unacceptable and could result in enforcement action.

Burglar who stole from elderly sentenced

A MAN who assaulted and stole from elderly people in Northampton received an extended sentence of ten years

Joseph Delaney (right), 32, of Northampton, pleaded guilty to three offences of aggravated burglaries and one offence of robbery at Northampton Crown Court last Thursday.

The offences occurred between September 17-18, 2012, in the Delapre, Far Cotton and Briar Hill areas of Northampton.

Detective Constable Katie Morrison

said: "These were unprovoked attacks on innocent elderly victims in their homes.

"After long protracted enquiries by a team of detectives, who worked closely with the victims, their families and the Crown Prosecution Service, we are very pleased with this sentence and hope this serves as a deterrent to those who target vulnerable members of our community.

"I am pleased that Delaney pleaded guilty and prevented the victims from having to relive the trauma by attending court."



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Promise that recycled waste is not dumped

A COUNCIL has moved to reassure its residents that recycled waste is not ending up in landfills in Asia.

There were reports in the national press last weekend claiming that much recyclable waste collected by councils in the UK was being shipped to China, Indonesia and India where it was ending up in dumps.

South Northamptonshire Council is reassuring its residents that their collected domestic recyclable waste does not end up here.

The council works in partnership with specialist recycler UPM, based in Shotton near Chester.

This site is one of the largest paper mills in the UK and has advanced methods of dealing with other materials.

Glass from the green recycling boxes is dealt with separately and after being bulked locally it is taken to Barnsley to be turned into new glass bottles and jars.

Cllr Dermot Bambridge, portfolio holder for environmental services, said "The more we recycle, the less we send to landfill, which is very expensive. So you can rest assured that your efforts are not wasted. When you take the trouble to sort your waste into recyclable and non recyclable items we will ensure that anything that can be recycled will be.

"In fact this newspaper which you read today could be recycled and back on the news stand within a week.

"We're not going to rest on our laurels though. The new recycling measures that we're introducing soon will mean more materials will be collected and recycled, and even less going to landfill.

"Waste food will be processed to run electric generators with the residual matter used as fertiliser on farmland."



FACTORY: Crockett & Jones in Northampton where Sully Illing worked and stole the shoes

Teen stole £2k worth of shoes to buy cannabis

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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AN apprentice at shoemaker Crockett & Jones stole ten pairs of bespoke shoes from the company to fund his cannabis habit.

Sully Illing, 18, admitted a charge of theft by employee at Northampton Magistrates' Court last Thursday.

He had started working at the Perry Street factory in Northampton last August and was caught in November last year when a manager noticed shoes were being sold on eBay.

The court was told that Illing, of Gillsway, Northampton, started selling the shoes on the online auction site to get extra money after spending his wages on cannabis. The apprentice pattern cutter has since lost his job at the factory.

Prosecutor Stella Moses said: "The defendant was interviewed by police officers and he fully admitted that he had taken the shoes from his employers and had sold them on eBay to fund his cannabis habit."

She added: "This is a clear breach of trust."

In mitigation, Claire McCarthy said he had started using the drug after his best friend died from sudden adult death syndrome when he was 16.

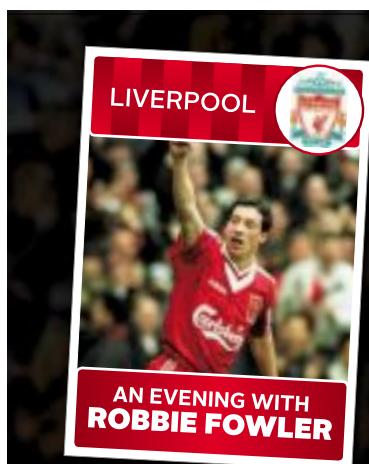
She said: "He said he made an absolutely ridiculous choice and judgement."

"He put a couple of pairs of shoes on eBay and a couple became ten."

He was ordered to pay Crockett & Jones £2,000 in compensation and was sentenced to 80 hours' unpaid work. He must also pay costs of £85 and a victim surcharge of £60.

In January Prince Charles visited the Crockett & Jones shoe factory.

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DIGGING: Archaeological work at the train station to uncover the remains of the medieval castle. A number of artefacts have been unearthed like a rare Saxon brooch (middle) and a medieval knife (below)

Digging up the past at the train station

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ARCHAEOLOGISTS are uncovering the past at Northampton's train station.

The eight week dig is aiming to find out more about the royal castle which was situated on part of the site.

These investigations are part of final preparations for the station re-development and will record any remains in the area prior to the start of construction.

Senior project supervisor, Tim Upson-Smith, said: "We are in the short stay car park in the south west corner.

"This is where the outer bailey is and so far we have found some walls but no floor.

"So far we have found medieval pottery, animal bones and our star find - a Saxon brooch.

"The only other one which we know about was found in Thetford. A lot of the artefacts will end up in the town's

museum but we hope some can be incorporated at the new train station.

"We will be excavating here for eight weeks and will push further towards the station and the road."

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Royal Oak could prove roots of success for park

A ROYAL Oak could be used to replace a 200-year-old cedar tree which fell down in a park.

The Cedar of Lebanon tree is believed to have toppled over in Thornton Park, Northampton, on Sunday, March 31 due to a combination of weather conditions and age.

The fallen Cedar lay across the walls of the Ornamental Garden.

One of the people who went along to inspect the damage was Northampton North MP, Michael Ellis.

And he did not go empty handed as he took with him a seedling of a Royal Oak which he had

been given during the Queen's Diamond Jubilee last summer.

Mr Ellis said: "This was a big tree.

"I went to the scene last Friday and spoke to the Friends of Thornton Park.

"I gave them a Royal Oak which has come from one of the Queen's

estates. This could have been at Sandringham, Windsor or Buckingham Palace.

"They are never going to replace the tree which fell as this is a tragic loss but this might help.

"I wanted to hand the Friends of Thornton Park the oak as I did not want to put it in my garden."

Praise for political Tory 'titan' Thatcher

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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POLITICIANS from across the county have paid tribute to Margaret Thatcher following her death this week.

Baroness Thatcher passed away at the age of 87 on Monday following a stroke.

She was Conservative Prime Minister from 1979 to 1990, and was the first woman to hold the post.

A motion is to be put forward at Northampton Borough Council's full council meeting on April 22 to 'recognise her contribution as Prime Minister'.

MPs from across the county have expressed their sadness after her death.

Northampton South MP Brian Binley joked that she used to call him 'cousin' because of a possible ancestral connection.

He said: "My ancestors, the Underwoods, lived in Abington. In learning that her ancestors came from Denford and one of her ancestors married a Roberts of Denford I thought that we might be related. I took great pride in this potential."

Northampton North MP Michael Ellis, who was presented with his law degree by the Baroness, said: "Margaret



TRIBUTES: Margaret Thatcher and Northampton South MP Brian Binley

Thatcher was a titan amongst politicians. We will never see the like of her again.

"In my view she was the best Prime Minister Britain had since Winston Churchill and one of the greatest Prime Ministers of all time."

Wellingborough & Rushden MP Peter Bone said: "I am very sorry she has passed away even though she was frail.

"She rescued this country when it was in economic crisis.

"She was the first woman Prime Minister and in my view she is the greatest peace time

Prime Minister we have ever had." Leader of Northampton Borough Council David Mackintosh said: "I was born less than a month before Margaret Thatcher became Prime Minister and grew up watching her in power and her legacy, and I became an adult before the Conservatives lost power.

"I was lucky enough to meet her on a number of occasions whilst working for the Conservative Party and her legacy has strongly influenced my own political views."

Anti-social behaviour falls across the county

ANTI-social behaviour has dropped in Northamptonshire by 12 per cent.

Figures compiled to the end of March, which marks the end of the policing year, show 33,148 ASB incidents recorded in 2012/13.

This is a drop of 4,470 incidents

on the 37,618 recorded during the corresponding period in 2011/12. Figures released by the police show it fell by 11 per cent in Northampton and 15 per cent in South Northants.

Territorial Superintendent Richard James, the Force lead for anti-social behaviour, said: "It is

very pleasing to have continued reducing the number of incidents of anti-social behaviour across the Force area, and in every sector.

"We are sharing information with our borough, district and county partners to deal with anti-social behaviour problems."

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Murder accused appears in court following flat death

A MAN has appeared in court charged with murder.

Kristian Kopco, 21, of Adnitt Road, Northampton, was charged with the murder of Timothy Charles Keam (pictured) on Friday and appeared at Northampton Crown Court on Tuesday.

Mr Keam, 48, died at a flat in Adnitt Road, in the

early hours of last Wednesday. A plea and case management hearing will be held on July 29.

Mr Kopco was remanded into custody.

A note left with flowers outside Sears House read: 'Tim, you were a true brother and will be sorely missed. Your kindness and generosity never ceased to amaze me.'



Empty businesses add millions to council pot

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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BUSINESSES are paying millions of pounds for their empty properties, figures have shown.

The details, released by the TaxPayers' Alliance (TPA), show that in Northampton more than £7.8 million was collected in 2011-12, while in Wellingborough there was £1.4m.

The rates are set by the Valuation Office and are collected by the borough councils.

Northampton Borough Councillor Alan Bottwood said:

"No one wants to see empty business premises but we are living in an uncertain global economic climate."

"In the last two years we have been working hard to turn our local economy around, there is still more to do, but we are making progress."

A Wellingborough Council spokesman said: "The overall number of empty properties has decreased year on year for the last five years and estimated figures for the 2012-13 financial year show another drop of approximately 12 per cent. A

number of larger properties on the industrial estates in and around the town, which had been empty, have been renovated and let to distribution firms and some older buildings in the town have been converted to residential use following change of use applications made to the council's planning department."

TPA chief executive Matthew Sinclair said: "It is extremely unfair that property owners are being hit with enormous Business Rates on properties which are empty, with no rent coming in that they can use to pay the bill."

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THANK YOU: Stuart Peacock meets Chris Hayle and Teresa White. Picture by James Rudd – aboutmyarea.co.uk/nn12

Stuart says thanks for fast response to heart attack

A MAN who had a heart attack while shovelling snow has thanked the ambulance staff who helped save his life.

Stuart Peacock, 63, from Towcester, was taken ill at his home on January 20.

He's now recovered and met with East

Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EMAS) staff Chris Hayle and Teresa White who responded to wife Sue's 999 call. The couple were keen to thank Chris and Teresa for their swift response and care. Mr Peacock made such a good recovery

he was quickly able to return to normal life, bumping into EMAS technician Chris in their local supermarket a few days later. Speed was a key factor in Stuart's care and he was in hospital receiving treatment within an hour of experiencing chest

pains. He said: "The crew told me very quickly I'd had a heart attack and an artery was blocked. They kept me calm and told me what was happening, which kept my fears at bay. They were both very professional and thanks to them I'm here today."

Mum found dead in bedroom of son, 9

BY ANNABEL HOWARD
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A MUM died of Sudden Adult Death Syndrome at the side of her nine-year-old son, an inquest heard yesterday.

Deborah Jarrett, 45, formerly of Frank Large Walk, St Crispins Village, Northampton, passed away suddenly on November 18 last year.

A statement read by the coroner at Northampton General Hospital revealed her husband of 13 years found her body.

Rikki Jarrett had seen Deborah lying on the floor in

their son's bedroom. The child was also lying on the floor and Rikki assumed the pair were playing a game because they did not respond when he spoke to them.

He told his wife he was going to bed, but returned to his son's room four or five minutes later.

He said: "When I moved her I could see she had been sick and I could not get a response. I then called the ambulance."

During the inquest he said: "I did not think in this day and age that there was sudden death."

Consultant Histopathologist

at Northampton General Hospital, Dr David Fattah, carried out the post-mortem examination. At the inquest Dr Fattah said that he could not find any problems with her heart and that it appeared to be normal.

He also said she did not have high blood pressure. He added: "It is probably a heart problem which could not be found."

Coroner Anne Pember recorded a verdict that she had died of natural causes.

She said: "It is likely cardiovascular problems which could not be detected."

Patient passed away after post-surgery complications

A DAD of two died of complications following surgery.

Yesterday's inquest heard that Dennis John Harold Durling, who also left behind his wife and four grandchildren, suffered problems as a result of surgery for rectal cancer on February 28 last year. The 64 year-old retired lorry driver,

formerly of Thatchwell Court, Standens Barn, Northampton, died on March 6, 2012.

Doctors told the inquest how they had discovered he had sepsis after the operation.

The illness developed as a reaction to an unidentified bug.

Doctors also said there was no obvious reason for sepsis.

The cause at the time of death was given as laparotomy resection of rectal carcinoma and hypertensive heart disease.

Consultant surgeon David Hunter, who has since retired, operated on Mr Durling.

He said: "Unfortunately we were unable to save this poor man. Sepsis is common in this sort of

operation. It is a recognised complication." In a statement read by the coroner, his wife Maureen Durling said: "Dennis should still be here with us and the family miss him dearly."

Coroner Anne Pember said: "The cause of death was due to a complication following surgery for rectal cancer."

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that obviously helps. Many tradespeople have struggled since last year and I honestly feel that during the good times a minority perhaps didn't focus on customer care as much as they should have done. We make sure we turn up when we say we will, do the job the customer requires and leave their house as clean as a whistle. I often get comments back from customers on how they really didn't expect that sort of service which, in a way, is very sad for the service industry as a whole.'

Cloudy2Clear service the Northampton, Kettering, Wellingborough & Corby areas and Trevor is finding that his

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INDEPENDENCE:
Daniel Stanton

Big boost for Daniel's chair appeal

NINE-year-old Daniel Stanton has been given a massive boost.

Rockingham Forest Kiwani Club has pledged £2,000 to Newlife Foundation which is trying to get the youngster a powered wheelchair.

Daniel, from Northampton, is a pupil along with his brother Thomas at Moulton Primary School.

He needs a powered wheelchair so he doesn't have to rely on an adult pushing him around all the time.

Mum Michelle Stanton said: "Daniel has a diagnosis of Ehler-Danlos Syndrome, which

means he has severe hypermobility and fragile skin; for this reason he is not allowed to do anything that will cause impact on his joints.

"He is getting to an age now where he is becoming frustrated by seeing his twin brother being able to run around like a lunatic, but not being able to follow him and join in.

"A powered wheelchair is crucial in giving him some independence in life, whether it is around the home, out and about with the family or with his friends at school."

The cost of the most appropriate powered wheelchair, £7,455, prompted Michelle to turn to leading UK children's disability charity Newlife Foundation for help.

Newlife has awarded £115,761 to fund 68 equipment grants for children in Northamptonshire.

Newlife CEO Sheila Brown, OBE said: "Because of the huge demand we are calling on 'local heroes' to help us raise money to fund equipment in Northamptonshire.

"Newlife guarantees 100 per cent of any gift or donation will go directly to support disabled children in the county."

MP to take rail fears to the Government

BY SOPHIE SCOTT
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AN MP will meet with the Secretary of State for Transport to discuss continued issues with the train service from Northampton.

Brian Binley, MP for Northampton South and chairman of Northampton Rail Users Group (NRUG), will attend a meeting with Patrick McLoughlin MP.

Mr Binley and five other MPs, including Andrea Leadsom and Michael Ellis, who represent South

Northants and Northampton North respectively, have also written to the Minister of State requesting that London Midland users be allowed to travel on Virgin trains at peak times to ease capacity.

Figures show that three London to Birmingham services, through Northampton, were in the top ten most overcrowded routes.

Mr Binley said: "I wrote to Mr McLoughlin some time ago querying the service we were getting in Northampton and the more I have talked to

people who are involved with London Midland the more I recognise that we are being short changed.

"We are going to talk to Patrick about what we can do. It is not right that people are the recipients of this low level of service. It should be much improved.

"I am hopeful Patrick will be sensitive to our concerns and responds to them."

NRUG will be meeting on Saturday and Mr Binley said representatives for London Midland were invited

Bus fares to rise by 3.9 per cent this Sunday

STAGECOACH bus fares will be hiked up by an average of 3.9 per cent in Northamptonshire this weekend.

The travel company argues that this increase still offers commuters better value for money compared with driving a car.

A weekly megarider bus ticket in town will rise from £11.80 to £12 on Sunday.

Fares have increased by about five to ten pence on average.

Stagecoach claims this works out as a better deal as figures show motorists can pay more than £6,600 a year to own and run a car.

They have blamed rising costs of fuel, labour and insurance as reasons for increasing rates.

Managing director of Stagecoach Midlands, Steve Burd, said: "We understand that this will be frustrating for our passengers."

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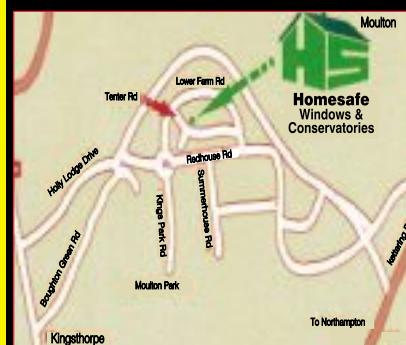
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Collectors play their part in littered streets

I WOULD like to follow on from last week's letters, especially from Judith Edgington, about the litter on our streets.

I was prompted to write when I read her sentence 'I see cans, bottles, packets, paper, cartons and containers littering our streets and I am appalled to think that people would just throw them down'.

Well I would like to invite people to bring their cameras on a Thursday morning and watch what happens to Balmoral Road, where I live, and witness first hand the perpetrators of the so called 'mess' - Northampton's recycling collections!

I do not seriously believe that members of the public casually throw away in the kerb such things as fabric softener containers, pump spray air fresheners, empty bean cans and pet food tins. To just mention a few.

It is the reckless abandon of the collectors, going at break-neck speed, hurling all our recycling into their floating skip every week and leaving at least 10 per cent of it rolling about in the street and on the pavements.

I keep promising myself I will keep a photographic diary of evidence, but

there seems little point if neither council nor contractor are prepared to own responsibility.

I know other neighbours and friends that have tried to raise the problem of litter and careless inconsideration issues of this nature and find themselves being sent on a 'wild goose chase'.

We are doing as we are told, recycling plastics, card, glass and food waste, but there is little point if the collectors are happy to leave so much behind. It looks like a war zone.

And every week various neighbours are out on the street re-collecting their own recycling again!

Another argument for a discount on council tax.

Everything we buy is so unnecessarily glamorous and expensively packaged anyway, fuel for consumerism).

I would prefer we just had everything wrapped in brown paper or fill your own containers.

That way we minimise waste as a whole and wouldn't need to rely on council contractors with no social conscience.

Alison Moore
Balmoral Road, Northampton

RUBBISH: The type of litter that has concerned Alison Moore



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Agreement with Lakes view

HOW refreshingly lovely, Derek Clark MEP, that you take the time and trouble to write to the *Herald & Post* with such positive views on The Lakes development, and such blatant honesty about Northampton Borough Council.

I do hope the planning inspectorate notes these views.

Thank you *Herald & Post* for brightening my evening, and my faith in humans.

Alison Reeves

By email

Reasons why I won't be voting

THE moment my voting card arrived, it was torn up and thrown into the wastepaper basket.

I have lived in this town for over 35 years. I was schooled here. I have witnessed the town go from a once growing and thriving new town, into the desolation and degradation that has befallen it.

It has become an abomination, an eyesore. The heart of the town has been ripped from it. Each and every councillor who has served on the council over the last 15 years should be utterly ashamed of themselves.

The town centre is a disgrace and it has become an embarrassment to the residents. A look around the town and quickly you notice the huge number of empty shops.

Some of the UK's largest major retailers and chains are conspicuous by their absence from the town centre. The likes of GAP, Benetton, Cafe Rouge, John Lewis, Wagamamas, have all chosen to stay away.

This is a very large town, it's one of the largest in Europe. It sits at the heart of the UK road network and is less than 60 mins by train to London and Birmingham.

The council, during the boom years of 2000-7 should have been using this proximity and focusing on attracting new, high quality companies and large businesses into the town centre (not just out of town warehousing and distribution centres).

It should have focused on major investment, building projects and infrastructure when money was cheap and times were good.

They will shout about the new bus station and Enterprise Zone (EZ), which in part is

some good news, but the EZ is out of town and our ability to attract business there, I believe, will be seriously hampered when businesses come to view the town's facilities, then see the terrible quality of our town centre.

The truth is a new bus station should have been built 15 years ago and the council could have set up its own EZ more than a decade ago.

So, to the reason I will not vote. I have absolutely no faith in the current councillors to change and turn this town around.

And I have seen nothing in anyone else's manifesto that suggests they have a grip of the issues and problems our town is facing, much less actually do anything about them.

I also believe there will be a very low turnout of voters and I would also like to remind those councillors that are voted into office next month, they were elected on a minority basis and do not have the support of the majority.

Lee Smith

By email

There are election alternatives

NEXT month many Tories across the county will be voting Conservative on the grounds their party looks after them.

Meanwhile the rest of us including the opposition parties are treated with contempt. A classic example is the way they have switched off our street lighting, even though it is a serious safety hazard.

People in Northampton and across the county need to get out there and vote for the alternatives.

We have three good parties Lib Dems, UKIP and Labour: there are also one or two good independents.

People will have to make up their own mind who to choose but we need people who will take the electorate seriously.

There is little we can do about some issues at local level. Nevertheless all us guys are opposed to ill-thought out policies like the 'Bedroom Tax'.

Voters might like to note that UKIP are now a force to be reckoned with and have constructive policies. There are many experienced candidates on offer and unlike many parties have councillors right across the country.

Colin Bricher

Broadmead Avenue, Northampton



Your comments from our website ...

Flooding fears for extra homes

■ 10,000 additional car movements a day will mean gridlock!

Traffic should be sent somehow straight to Towcester Road or other main routes not Rowtree Road.

Known flooding issues will only get worse. Why chase housing targets when developers struggle to sell and then leave the site half finished, as is the case with Upton?

The noise from the M1 and the Motocross site in Milton Malsor will make some of these houses unsaleable.

The council cannot maintain local roads/signs/lighting/overgrown vegetation/parkland as it is.

How are they going to cope with this additional burden? Get your existing house in order before you commit to more!

Saintsman

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Greener lights are getting switched on

BY LAWRENCE JOHN

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NEW street lights will be installed across the county in ten stages.

Each phase of the energy saving initiative will take six months from start to finish.

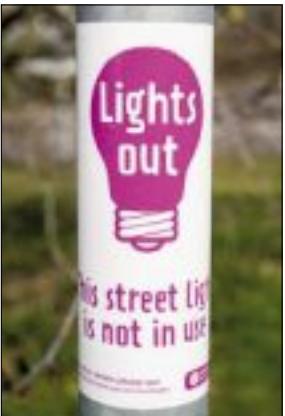
In 2011 Northamptonshire County Council switched off half of the county's street lights in a bid to save £2 million.

This scheme is aimed at improving the lamps which were left on.

Wellingborough councillor, Andrew Scarborough said: "The new lights project has been very effective where they have been put in.

"But the way things are being done seem to be a little patch work with teams moving in and doing some work and then going somewhere else."

He raised concerns some areas



would not see the benefit until 2016.

A spokesman for the council said: "The street-lighting PFI scheme started in October 2011

and will see the county council's lighting stock replaced within five years with contractor Balfour Beatty taking over the responsibility of the authority's street lighting.

"Under the scheme the new street lights will use 40 per cent less energy on a like-for-like basis when compared with the existing stock.

This will offer a uniform, white light rather than the patchy orange glow of 'traditional' lights.

"The scheme will allow contractor Balfour Beatty to replace the lamp units and electronics of all street lights and allow for the replacement of the lighting columns where necessary."

The first lights to be replaced were the ones with the oldest columns. You can see which streets are next by visiting www.lightingnorthamptonshire.com and clicking on 'new lighting'.

Herald & Post Brief

DRIVER FLUNG FROM BIKE ON MOTORWAY

THE rider of a motor-bike was thrown from his vehicle on the M1.

The 29-year-old driver was taken to Walsgrave Hospital in Coventry with serious injuries after the crash, just before the

Watford Gap services, at about 7.35am last Wednesday.

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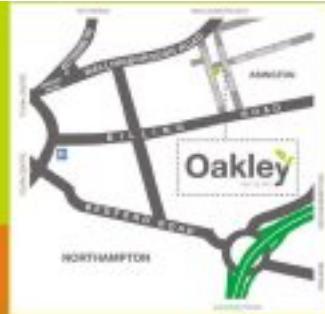


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Bridge fall woman in 'serious' state

A WOMAN fell from a bridge over a busy dual carriageway.

Northamptonshire Police had to close the A45 in both directions last

Wednesday night as they attempted to help the woman.

The 25-year-old was taken to Walsgrave Hospital in Coventry in a

serious condition after she fell from the bridge at the Queen Eleanor Interchange, Northampton. The road was closed from about 10.30pm.

Vodka driver's near-miss with The Guildhall

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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A DRUNK driver who was nearly three times over the limit almost crashed her car into the Guildhall.

Arita Kapsuka, 38, had been drinking vodka when a witness heard the car, a Mazda 6, revving loudly while driving down St Giles Street, Northampton, on March 8.

Her car almost hit the taxi rank in the street and came to a rest near the Guildhall, at about 11pm.

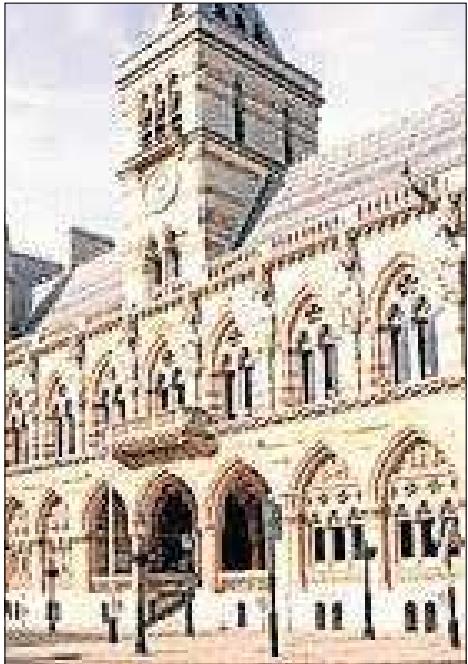
When police arrived, an officer had to reach into the vehicle and switch the engine off and help her out.

When she was breathalysed, after her arrest, she had 112 microgrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of breath - the legal limit is 35.

It was heard at Northampton Magistrates' Court last Thursday that she had been drinking vodka at lunchtime.

She pleaded guilty to driving a motor vehicle while above the alcohol level limit.

Stella Moses, prosecuting, said: "The defendant's vehicle was near the Guildhall area, she nearly collided with a taxi rank that was in the area when she came to a rest.



LANDMARK: Northampton Borough Council's Guildhall home

"The clutch box appeared to have burnt out and her head was near the glove box."

Speaking to the magistrates Kapsuka, of Bouverie Walk, Northampton, said: "I would like to express my remorse and I am sorry.

This will never happen again."

She was given a 12 month community order, with a requirement of 100 hours of unpaid work, banned from driving for 26 months and must pay £85 prosecution costs a victim surcharge of £60.

Harleys roar for Cynthia Spencer Hospice

THE annual Terry Wire April Fools Run proved a big hit for the public and charity.

More than 100 Harleys roared into town on Saturday from Sixfields before travelling down Weedon Road through St James and then into the town centre and arriving in Abington Street.

They lined up in Bridge

Street where people could have a look at the mean machines.

The event is organised by Cllr Terry Wire who said: "We had a couple of hundred of bikes turn up and we collected £1,450 in a few hours.

Dave Barringer of Northants V-twin organised a raffle and this helped raise £700.

"My just giving website at www.justgiving.com/terry-wire has raised £200 and it has only been going since Friday.

"I cannot thank the public enough for their generosity in helping to support The Friends of Cynthia Spencer Hospice.

"Lots of people see this as an enjoyable day."

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From kinky boots

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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STEVE Pateman has gone from being the kinky boots man to a fireman.

He is a fifth generation shoemaker from Northamptonshire who found fame after a Hollywood film was made about how he saved his businesses.

It all started when his family firm WJ Brookes, based in King Street, Earls Barton, was featured in the 1990s BBC documentary called Trouble at the Top.

The programme showed how he changed its fortunes by moving away from making traditional shoes to producing erotic footwear.

Steve, 50, said: "In Trouble at the Top they wanted to follow the business and to show what we were doing to save the business.

"What made it very difficult for us was when the high value of the pound meant the cost of exporting goods went up.

"This meant one German company who ordered 5,000-6,000 pairs of shoes suddenly rang up and said do not make any.

"But we had everything prepared, the leather in the tanners ready to come and we had leather already cut.



It was a terrible time for us." However, salvation came in the form of a phone call.

Taking up the story Steve said: "The spark came from a phone call I got from a 'woman' in Folkestone.

"She asked if we could make her a pair of boots but in a man's size.

"We made quality shoes so I knew we could do it.

"And she told me the cost would take care of itself if we could produce a quality product."

This was the eureka moment which Steve grabbed with both hands and he was able to go into

full time production of the kinky boots'.

This story was picked up by Tim Firth and Geoff Deane who wrote the 2005 film Kinky Boots which starred Joel Edgerton as Charlie Price - the character based on Steve.

He added: "With the fetish shoes we exported 90 per cent to Germany and Poland.

"While it lasted it was a cracking story.

"I employed 80 people in the factory."

However, there was no happy ending when it came to the shoe business as in 2006 Steve closed the factory and 80 workers lost



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their jobs. He said: "I loved the shoe industry but there was no support and no encouragement from government."

"As soon as I had found a niche market, other competitors started bringing in cheap imports from China. This is what had happened when I had to stop shoe production."

After closing WJ Brookes, Steve became a firefighter and now works at Mereway Fire Station in Northampton and also covers his home town of Earls Barton.

Last week a musical, also called Kinky Boots, opened on Broadway.



NEW START: Former shoemaker Steve Pateman who is now a fireman

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Nick Edwards, joint administrator, said: "We are delighted to have completed the sale of HMV's UK retail business to Hilco UK. The sale of the restructured portfolio secures the employment of 2,643 staff, saves one of the world's most iconic retail brands and provides a solid financial footing on which the business can be taken forward."



Resident's cash fears as new tax introduced

A DISABLED woman has said money will be even tighter as a result of the Government's new 'bedroom tax'.

Amanda McCrossan, a Northamptonshire Rural Housing Association tenant, is one of nearly 6,000 residents in the county who will be affected.

The changes will see families living in housing association accommodation, whose property is deemed to be larger than

they need, receiving less housing benefit. Tenants are expected to lose £16 a week on average.

Mrs McCrossan has been registered disabled due to severe arthritis and has lived in her home in Braunston for 17 years.

Her partner died some years ago and her son has now moved out, leaving their house with a spare bedroom. She said: "Being registered disabled means that my second bedroom is often in use for friends and

family members who stay to look after me. Both my parents have been in hospital and sometimes they come to stay so I can look after them. Whichever way you look at it, the second bedroom is very much needed."

"In reality the room has been empty for a very few weeks in the last 12 months. Money has been tight since my partner died anyway and the changes are going to make things even worse." Chris

Sparrow, chairman of Northamptonshire Rural Housing Association (NRHA), said: "In principal we do support changes to the welfare system."

"Historically there is a real lack of social housing, which is only getting worse following the reduction in social housing grants."

"This means that it is not easy to find alternative smaller homes for many of our tenants, particularly for those who need only one bedroom."

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It's called tinnitus /tīnī' təs/, and it is the tinkling, ringing or hissing heard in one or both ears. And actually, it is not in your ears at all, it's in your brain. It is estimated that 1 in 100 people in the UK have tinnitus which persists most of the time, and severely affects their quality of life.

A recent white paper published in the peer-reviewed journal the Hearing Review reports relief among 60 percent of patients from a sampling provided by 230 practitioner. Of this group, one-in-five (22 percent) said they received "major relief." This is good news for anyone with head noise.

Where Does Head Noise Come From?

In the cochlea thousands of "hair cells" are set in motion and sound is converted to electrical signals which travel along the auditory nerve to the brainstem for further processing.

The primary auditory cortex is the region of the brain that is responsible for processing of auditory (sound) information.

"Tinnitus is likely triggered by random neural activity in the auditory cortex," said Tim Evans, Managing Director at Hearing and Mobility Ltd. "It can be caused by noise trauma, allergic reactions, and sometimes strong prescription medications.

While some head noise may subside after 12 to 20 hours—after a day of operating

a table saw ... or at the completion of a brief regimen of prescription medication—with continual exposure tinnitus can become permanent."

According to Oregon Health Sciences University, 90 percent of patients with severe tinnitus also possess hearing loss. Patients who do not seek help for their hearing loss will perceive a worsening of their head noise.

"One major inadvertent tragedy is the belief that tinnitus cannot be helped," said Sergei Kochkin, PhD, executive director of the Better



Head noise is louder than ambient sounds to a listener who has a hearing problem.

Hearing Institute. "People, in addition to not seeking help for their tinnitus, also do not seek help for their hearing loss specifically because they concurrently have tinnitus." The report concludes that citizens with ringing ears should seek the help of a practitioner who is knowledgeable about treating tinnitus with hearing aids. Relief can now be achieved for most people.

Relief is Here!

A mild to moderate hearing loss causes the listener to experience a reduction in the awareness of ambient sounds. When head noise is present, this reduction in ambient sounds causes the head noise to seemingly increase. This study documents quantitative improvement achieved with the fitting of prescription hearing aids programmed with specific algorithms.

All Hearing and Mobility Centres are staffed by practitioners who have completed special training education courses in dealing with head noise said Tim Evans. Treatment comprises conducting an electronic hearing test, then importing the patient's audiogram into test unit hearing instruments. The practitioner and the patient can then see what the hearing condition of the ears are and how hearing instruments would overcome the problems.

Next, by increasing the amplification of low-level sounds as part of treatment and reducing maximum output of the instrument, we can move the patient's tinnitus which was previously conspicuous in the foreground of their perception, and relegate it

appropriately to the background with all other environmental sounds," said Tim Evans. "The very act of taking the focus off of tinnitus spells relief for most patients.



Certain prescription hearing instruments can be tuned to bring ambient sounds back to a normal level, thereby suppressing head noise.

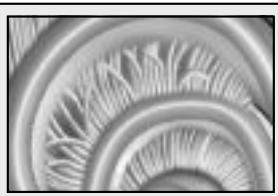
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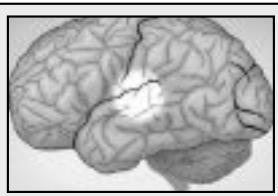
Instrument programmability and practitioner competency are the keys to achieving tinnitus relief.



In the cochlea thousands of tiny "hair cells" called stereocilia are set in motion and sound is converted to electrical signals.



With hearing loss, the hair cells are damaged and cannot pick up sound properly. This damaged signal is sent to the brain.



The damaged signal causes random neural activity in the auditory cortex, triggering the sound of tinnitus.



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Stallholder Eamonn is going Green for May's vote

MARKET trader Eamonn 'Fitz' Fitzpatrick has switched to the Green Party in the upcoming elections.

The former Independent will stand in the newly formed Dallington-Spencer Ward in Northampton.

Fitz (pictured centre) has fought in many local election campaigns as an Independent candidate and stood in a parliamentary by-election against David Davies in 2008.

He said: "We need to encourage more people to shop and trade locally, treat them better as custom-



ers and trade on trust rather than greed, of course that means shopping more on the local market and cutting down on the air miles our

food travels but it also includes things like supporting community banks, credit unions, and local exchange schemes."

Ten parties to fight in county elections

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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MORE than ten political parties have put forward candidates for next month's county council elections.

Labour and Conservative are the only two parties with a candidate for each seat across the county.

UKIP has candidates in 48 of the wards, its highest ever offer-

ing, while the Liberal Democrats have people standing for 52 seats.

The Green Party has the next highest with 14 people, while the British National Party has fielded 11 candidates.

There are seven Independents and five hopefuls standing for the English Democrats.

Four people are standing for the Trade Unionists and Socialists Against Cuts and there

is one candidate each for the Northampton Save our Services and the Christian Peoples Alliance.

More than 250 people will be fighting for seats, in total.

There will be fewer councillors sitting on the county council after the election, with a decrease to 57, after a review by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England. The election is on May 2.

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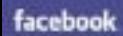
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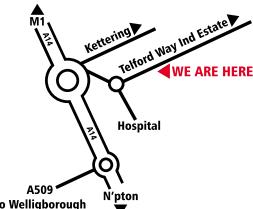


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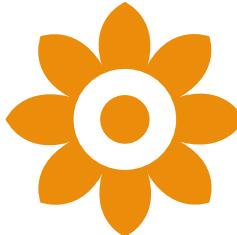
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Welcome

Whether you are looking to buy, sell, rent, let or simply improve where you currently live, you will find all the information you need in this supplement.

For those of you looking to improve your current home, this week we are thinking blue.

Have a look at our feature to check out some of our favourite accessories inspired by a blue colour scheme. There are plenty of ideas and some of the items you could use together to complement your chosen colour palette.

If you are currently selling your property, make sure to have a flick through (with your coffee) to check you're in the right

price bracket and that your estate agent is marketing your property in all the options available.

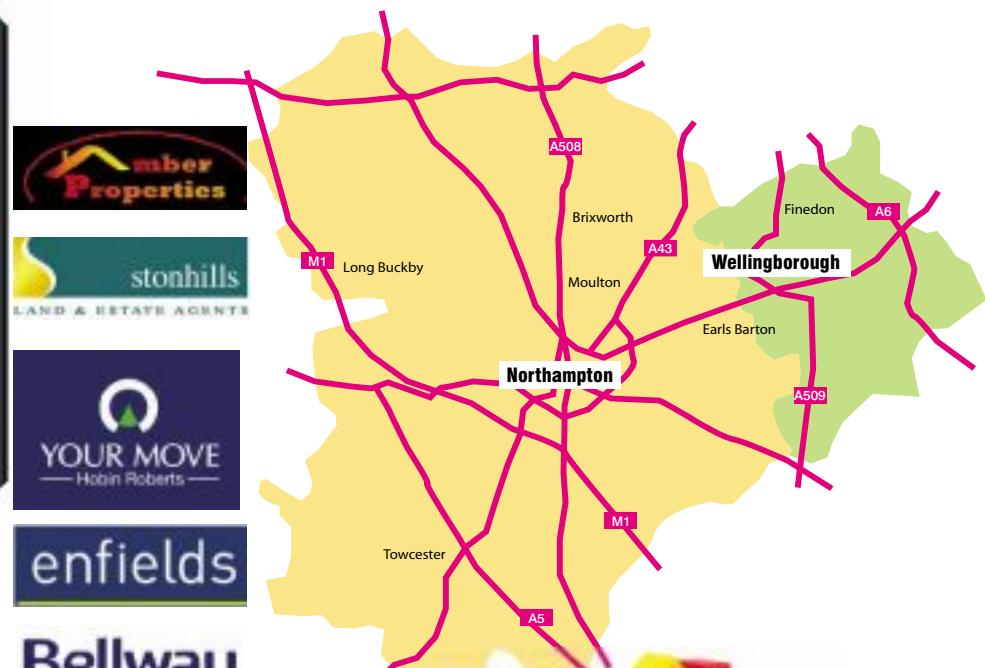
Whether price is everything to you, or you are looking for that customer service, there is a wealth of new and established estate and letting agents throughout the town who can cater to your every need; so go and see what they can do.

As always, there are some stunning new properties on the market within the town, and throughout the county and some at surprisingly low prices; so sit back and enjoy viewing that dream house or being pleasantly shocked at what you can afford!

Warmest regards,

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Featured properties:



Earls Barton: £1,399,950

The Chimneys was completed in 2003 by A.S.K Williams to the highest specification constructed of brick under a clay tiled roof.

No expense has been spared in the property with marble flooring to the large entrance hall and a beautiful oak staircase rising to a spacious landing with uninterrupted views across the garden and farmland beyond.

There is a Linn cinema system fitted in the sitting room together with a Lutron light system.

In addition to the luxury fitted kitchen and bathrooms there is an indoor spa room with hot tub, steam and wet room.

Planning permission has been granted to connect the covered pond area to the rear of the property to create an indoor swimming complex.

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Abington: £169,995

Here is a spacious double bay fronted terrace home situated close to Wellingborough Road in Northampton.

The property benefits from gas radiator central heating and UPVC double glazing where specified.

In brief the accommodation comprises entrance porch, hallway, lounge with double sliding doors through to the dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, rear lobby, downstairs cloakroom, lean-to and cellar.

Upstairs is the landing with access to the three well proportioned bedrooms and the bathroom with a four piece suite. Outside the property has front and rear gardens.

**Jackson Grundy Abington:
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Great Houghton: £299,950

James Anthony Estate Agents is pleased to offer to the market this extended four bedroom detached family home within a cul-de-sac in this most sought after village.

The accommodation briefly comprises entrance porch, entrance hall, study, downstairs cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/diner which is in excess of 20ft and utility room to the ground floor.

To the first floor are four bedrooms and the family bathroom. The master benefits from en-suite facilities.

Externally there is a rear garden which offers a good degree of privacy, a patio space and separate decking and lawned areas. To the front there is a driveway which leads to the integral double garage.

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Berrydale, Northampton

£330,000

An extremely well presented spacious four/five bedroom detached bungalow set in this established cul de sac location. The property benefits, double garage with electric doors, ample off road parking and a refitted kitchen/dining room. The accommodation briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, master suite with en-suite bathroom and dressing room, three double bedrooms with fitted wardrobes and refitted shower room. Further benefits include newly fitted 'Valiant' boiler and double glazing throughout. EPC D

Northampton Sales

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Lauderdale Avenue, Sandringham Gardens

£175,000

A well presented three bedroom detached home, situated within a cul-de-sac with close proximity to Northampton town centre. The property further benefits from radiator heating and double glazing. Call for full details. EPC D

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Tapeley Gardens, East Hunsbury

£209,000

This remodelled and extended three bedroom detached home benefiting from open plan living accommodation cloakroom w/c, kitchen/breakfast, master bedroom with en-suite, two further bedrooms and family bathroom with landscaped gardens to the rear. EPC - D

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Lauderdale Avenue, Sandringham Gardens

£239,950

Situated on an elevated plot is this well presented extended four/five bedroom detached family home. The property has been remodelled to allow four reception rooms and a very spacious first floor accommodation. Call for full details. EPC D

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Cumbrae Drive, Northampton

£243,000

A modern four bedroom detached property in a cul-de-sac location. Built by Persimmon Homes in 1994, the property benefits a Victorian style conservatory at the rear measuring over 26 feet in width and interconnecting the dining room, utility room and garage. Call for full details. EPC - D

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Robinia Close, Danefield **£65,000**

Euston Road, Far Cotton **£119,950**

Abbey Road, Far Cotton **£110,000**

A 50% shared ownership, modern three double bedroom semi-detached property situated on a corner plot and offered for sale with no onward chain. Positioned at the bottom of a cul-de-sac with good access to the M1 and A45 road links. Awaiting EPC

A two bedroom home benefiting from a four piece family bathroom, separate reception rooms, double glazing and radiator heating. Accommodation briefly comprises of lounge, dining room, kitchen, family room, two bedrooms and bathroom. EPC D

A two bedroom, terraced property offered for sale, in our opinion, in good decorative order. The accommodation briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, two double bedrooms and bathroom. Waiting on EPC.

Your-Move Hobin Roberts are now in receipt of an offer for a sum of £138,000 for 2 Buchanan Close, Northampton, NN4 8RA, Anyone that wishes to place an offer on the property should contact Your-Move Hobin Roberts, 19 Bridge Street, Northampton, NN1 1NH prior to exchange of contracts. EPC D

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Kingsthorpe Village £159,995

A rare opportunity for buyers looking to purchase in the sought after Kingsthorpe Village. The property has no upward chain and although in need of a little updating the house has terrific potential for someone looking to live on the very popular Foxgrove Avenue. Downstairs accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge/diner and kitchen. Upstairs there is two double bedrooms, a single bedroom and a family bathroom. To the rear is a good sized rear garden and at the front there is a front gardens with off-road parking for one car. Awaiting EPC.



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Kingsthorpe £269,995

We are delighted to offer this beautifully presented four bedroom detached home which has been refurbished throughout. One of the premium developments in Kingsthorpe the Boughton Rise estate was built circa 2001 and is conveniently located close to local amenities. Downstairs accommodation comprises entrance hall, downstairs WC, lounge, kitchen/diner, family room and conservatory. Upstairs there is four good sized bedrooms, with an en suite to master and a family bathroom. There are landscaped gardens and a timber shed complete with hot tub. There is also off-road parking for three cars. View to appreciate. Awaiting EPC.



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Queens Park £155,000

A well presented three bedroom property in the popular Queens Park area. Offered with no chain the property has character features and benefits from separate reception rooms as well as a garage and car port accessed via a service road to the rear. EPC: D.



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Spring Park £230,000

An immaculately presented 'Heyford' style detached home which has been refurbished throughout by the current owners. The house offers spacious living accommodation with a 23 foot lounge/diner and a 23 foot kitchen/breakfast room. View to appreciate. EPC: C.



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Kingsthorpe £132,995

This extended family home provides flexible living accommodation. Offered with no upward chain this three bedroom mid-terrace would be a great first time buy. The property is located in a quiet cul de sac in Kingsthorpe Hollow EPC: D.

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Brixworth £165,000

An ideal opportunity for someone looking for a property with stunning countryside views. This three bedroom semi-detached house sits on a generous corner plot is double glazed and has gas central heating. Awaiting EPC.



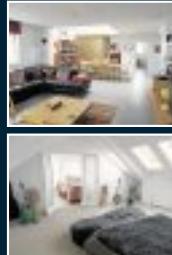
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Queens Park £199,995

A modern, two bedroom factory conversion situated in the popular area of Queens Park. The accommodation comprises open plan living/dining area, modern fitted kitchen, two double bedrooms and a bathroom with a roll top bath and separate shower. EPC: E.



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Kingsthorpe £119,995

A charming two bedroom end of terrace offered with no upward chain. Ideal for first time buyers or as a buy to let opportunity. The property benefits from a good-sized kitchen and bathroom and comes with a cellar. EPC: E.

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Kingsthorpe Village £135,000

We are pleased to offer this semi-detached dormer bungalow in the highly desirable Kingsthorpe village. Accommodation includes lounge/diner, kitchen, two double bedrooms, downstairs shower room, an upstairs bathroom and off-road parking. EPC: D.



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Moulton £129,995

A two bedroom bungalow situated on a corner plot in this popular part of Moulton. The property benefits from double glazing and radiator heating. The accommodation briefly comprises of entrance lobby, lounge, kitchen, conservatory. EPC: C.



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Recently reduced! Situated in a quiet cul-de-sac this two bedroom mid-terrace offers great value as a residential home or a buy to let investment. Features include a modern, fitted kitchen/diner with integrated appliances. EPC: C.

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Harpole

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An mature extended three bedroom detached bungalow situated in the popular village of Harpole to the west of Northampton. The property is conveniently located for access to the M1 and has features to include separate reception rooms, block paved driveway, conservatory, gas radiator heating, majority double glazing and rear garden providing a good degree of privacy. Viewing is highly recommended to fully appreciate this deceptively spacious property. EPC E.



Birchfield Road

£229,995

We are pleased to be able to offer this superb terraced property in Abington. The property has recently been refurbished to a high standard and features a superb kitchen and family bathroom. The property also boast three double bedrooms making this a ideal family home. The property also features a converted cellar with a W/C. there are front and rear gardens to the property and it also benefits from central heating and upvc double glazing. Viewing this property is highly recommended. EPC:D



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Malcolm Drive

£135,000

A recently refurbished two bedroom semi detached bungalow with features to include separate reception rooms, driveway, refitted kitchen and bathroom, new floor coverings. EPC E.

Holly Road

£129,995

A two bedroom first floor apartment situated in an Old School House. The accommodation comprise's of communal entrance hall with stairs rising to just two apartments, entrance hall, open plan living room with modern kitchen. EPC: C

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£52,500

A great opportunity for either a buy to let investor or first time buyer. This one bedroom top floor flat is offered for sale with no upward chain and has features including double glazing where specified. EPC:E.

Queenswood Avenue

£144,995

A two bedroom detached bungalow located in Boothville. The accommodation comprises of entrance hall, lounge, large inner hallway/reception area, kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom. Externally there is off street parking, garage and a good size rear garden. EPC:TBC

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Duston

£64,995

Representing an ideal investment opportunity, this two bedroom ground floor flat has features to include double glazing where specified, gas radiator heating, two double bedrooms and a spacious lounge/dining room. EPC Rating B.

Lorraine Crescent

£126,995

We are pleased to offer for sale this two bedroom semi detached bungalow in Spinney Hill. The accommodation comprises of entrance lobby, hallway, lounge/diner, bedroom, refitted bathroom, kitchen and conservatory. EPC:TBC

Flat 10, 23-33 Clarke Road **£76,995**

A two bedrooms first floor apartment that is set in a converted warehouse situated in the popular area of Abington. The accommodation comprises of entrance hall, lounge with vaulted ceiling, kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom. EPC:F

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An attractive stone built detached family home situated in the heart of this popular village with views across open countryside to the rear. The well presented property was built in 1999 and benefits from four double bedrooms, two of which enjoy ensuite facilities. The full accommodation comprises entrance hall, cloakroom/WC, dual aspect lounge and dining room both with French doors leading to the rear garden, family room, kitchen/breakfast room, first floor, a large landing gives access to four double bedrooms, bedroom one and two both enjoy ensuite facilities and there is a family bathroom also accessed from the landing. Outside, the good sized rear garden backs onto open countryside and is mainly laid to lawn. A wrought iron staircase leads to the first floor office situated above the double garage, which is detached from the property has a block paved driveway leading to the electric up and over door. Torp House offers good family living in a prime location.

ROTHERTHORPE £545,000

EPC: TBC

NEW



Situated near to the village centre but set away from the road, Glebelands is a detached family home with versatile accommodation. Comprising entrance hall, lounge, study/dining room, beautifully fitted 24'5 kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, bedroom three/family room, shower room, two first floor double bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom, gravel driveway, detached double garage and an enclosed, private south-west facing garden. This well presented house is offered for sale with no onward chain and viewing is highly recommended.

GUILSBOROUGH £375,000

EPC: D

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VIEWS



NEW



OPEN DAY: SATURDAY 20TH APRIL: 11:00am - 12:00noon

A well presented detached bungalow with superb views over Brampton Valley. Entrance porch, reception hall, cloaks store, lounge/dining room, kitchen/dining room, study, conservatory, utility room, WC, bathroom, store room and three bedrooms, the master bedroom with en-suite and balcony, in-and-out driveway, detached single garage and an enclosed west-facing garden.

KINGSTHORPE £425,000

EPC: D

LONG BUCKBY GUIDE PRICE £475,000

EPC: D

NEW



This individual and well presented detached family home was built in 2002 by GM Homes Ltd of stone construction beneath a collyweston style slate roof. At approximately 2800 square foot, this home boasts good sized living and bedroom accommodation across two floors. Comprising entrance hall, two cloakrooms, lounge with feature fireplace, dining room which leads to the double glazed conservatory, study, fitted kitchen/breakfast room with built in appliances, family room, utility room, spacious landing and five en-suite bedrooms, the master bedroom enjoying a five piece en-suite bathroom with Jacuzzi bath, while two Jack & Jill en-suite bathrooms serve the remaining four bedrooms. The well maintained rear garden is a good size with seating area and lawn and to the front is a block paved driveway leading to the integral double garage. The property is offered with no onward chain.

LITTLE HARROWDEN £475,000

EPC: C



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NEW
PRICE

COGENHOE EPC: D £189,950

A two/three bedroom detached property benefiting from enough off road parking to hold three cars and a caravan. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, 23' lounge/dining room, fitted kitchen, family room/third bedroom, two first floor bedrooms and a bathroom. Externally, the front offers a lawn alongside the large driveway which leads to a brick built single garage. To the rear there is a private garden and a workshop/home office with electric, lighting and plumbing.

Earls Barton T: 01604 810933



NEW

ABINGTON EPC: F £135,000

An extended three bedroom end terrace house situated just off Wellingborough Road and in need of some general updating. The property does, however, benefit from an extended fitted kitchen with built in appliances, majority double glazing and an enclosed rear garden with pedestrian side access. The property comprises entrance porch, hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, three bedrooms, shower room and an enclosed rear garden.

Abington T: 01604 231111



NEW

NORTHAMPTON EPC: C £69,995

A one bedroom ground floor flat situated close to the town centre, with excellent access to a range of amenities including the train station. The property has double glazing, electric heating, intercom entry and off road parking. Comprising entrance hall, living room with lounge/dining area open plan to a fitted kitchen area, one double bedroom and a bathroom. No onward chain. Whole building shown.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



NEW

MOULTON EPC: D £189,995

An extended and upgraded three bedroom detached house situated on the popular Moulton Leys development. Comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room with French doors leading to the garden, extended and refitted kitchen/breakfast room and shower room beyond. To the first floor are three bedrooms and a family bathroom. Outside, the frontage is block paved with an attached garage and there is an attractive, enclosed rear garden.

Moulton T: 01604 494600



LONG BUCKBY EPC: C £190,000

An extended and much improved three bedroom semi detached house with garage and gardens. This smart, well presented property has had a ground floor extension with a room that could be used as a study, utility room, play room or bedroom, with an adjacent shower room and its own entrance. There is a refitted kitchen and bathroom, radiator heating and UPVC double glazing. The property is offered for sale with no onward chain.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



HARTWELL EPC: D £219,995

An extended four bedroom detached family home pleasantly situated in the village of Hartwell with front aspect facing the church. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, cloakroom/WC, lounge, family/dining room, kitchen, four bedrooms and bathroom. Outside there are front and rear gardens with off road parking and a garage. Benefits include replacement double glazed windows and doors, gas central heating with recently refitted Vaillant condensing boiler.

Roade T: 01604 862442



KINGSTHORPE EPC: C £149,995

A three bedroom semi detached property with accommodation comprising entrance hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms and bathroom. The property is set in a cul-de-sac and benefits from gardens to the front and rear, driveway leading to a single garage, double glazing where specified and gas radiator central heating.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



BUGBROOKE EPC: D £224,500

An extended detached family home within Campion catchment area. Benefits include UPVC double glazing, radiator heating with Vaillant boiler, UPVC soffits and fascias, cavity wall & loft insulation, refitted kitchen/family room, bathroom and cloakroom. Comprising entrance porch, hall, cloakroom, lounge/dining room, conservatory, kitchen/family room, three bedrooms, bathroom, well tended gardens, driveway and garage.

Duston T: 01604 755757



SPINNEY HILL EPC: E £165,000

A well presented detached bungalow situated at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac. The property has been extended to the side and offers spacious accommodation comprising entrance porch, fitted kitchen, inner hall, two bedrooms, bathroom and two generously proportioned reception rooms. Outside is an open plan front garden, driveway, tandem length garage/workshop and well proportioned enclosed rear garden. Benefits include gas heating and majority double glazing.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



LONG BUCKBY EPC: D £164,995

A modern, two bedroom detached bungalow offered for sale in good condition throughout. The property has UPVC double glazing and radiator heating, fitted kitchen, wet room, two double bedrooms and a lounge/dining room. Outside, there are front and rear gardens and a driveway providing parking for two/three cars. There is no onward chain.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093

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DUSTON EPC: **£152,000**

An established semi detached dormer style property situated in Duston Village. The gardens are a good size and enclosed, plus there is off road parking and a brick built single garage. Additional features include gas radiator central heating with new Glowworm combination boiler, replacement double glazed windows and doors and no onward chain. The accommodation comprises reception hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen, family room, bathroom and two bedrooms.

Duston T: 01604 755757



SPINNEY HILL EPC: **D** **£183,995**

A mature end of terrace property built around the 1930's/1940's, situated in a popular residential area with easy access to local amenities. Comprising entrance porch, hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, cloakroom, part converted cellar, three good size bedrooms and family bathroom. Externally there are gardens to both the front and rear and a single garage.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



QUEENS PARK EPC: **E** **£134,995**

A two bedroom terrace property situated within convenient proximity to Kingsthorpe and Northampton town centre. Highlights include gas radiator central heating, double glazing, two double bedrooms, modern fitted kitchen, four piece white bathroom suite with double shower cubicle, cellar, utility room and rear garden. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, living/dining room, kitchen, cellar, utility room, two bedrooms and a bathroom.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



DELAPRE EPC: **D** **£71,995**

A one bedroom first floor flat offered for sale with no onward chain. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, bedroom and bathroom with a white three piece suite. The windows are double glazed and there is electric storage heating. The kitchen, bathroom and carpets have all been refitted within the last two years. Photograph shows whole block.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



OVERSTONE

EPC: **OIEO** **£100,000**

A Grade II listed stone & thatched cottage in need of further repair and modernisation in this highly regarded village.

OPEN DAY: Saturday 13th April

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Moulton T: 01604 494600



EARLS BARTON

EPC: **E** **£289,995**

An executive four bedroom detached house situated in a small close of homes of a similar calibre. Reception hall, cloakroom, study/family room, lounge, conservatory, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room with integrated appliances, utility room, four bedrooms with built in wardrobes, refitted en-suite shower room, family bathroom, low maintenance front garden, block paved drive, attached double garage and enclosed rear garden.

Earls Barton T: 01604 810933



THE MOUNTS EPC: **D** **£119,995**

We are pleased to offer this three bedroom bay fronted Victorian terrace property which has undergone a number of improvements over recent years including refitted kitchen and bathroom, replacement gas radiator central heating and rewiring. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge/dining room, refitted kitchen, refitted bathroom, cellar and three bedrooms. Additional benefits include majority UPVC double glazing and a courtyard rear garden.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



MILTON MALSOR EPC: **F** **£189,995**

This truly unique, characterful property is pleasantly situated in a highly desirable village. Constructed in 1865, this former Methodist chapel has been sympathetically converted into a delightful home bursting with original features and individual finishing touches. Comprising entrance hall, bathroom, dining room, hand crafted fitted kitchen, superb lounge with full height ceiling, mezzanine dressing area, double bedroom, front garden, driveway and south-west facing rear garden.

Roade T: 01604 862442



ABINGTON EPC: **G** **£69,995**

A well presented one bedroom duplex apartment with outside decked seating area. The property is accessed via a shared side passageway, leading to the private entrance door to the apartment. There is an entrance hall, bedroom and shower room on the ground floor, with the lounge and fitted kitchen on the first floor. The property benefits from UPVC double glazing, electric heating and no onward chain. Photograph shows view of whole building from roadside.

Abington T: 01604 231111



MOULTON EPC: **C** **£169,995**

A well presented three bedroom end of terrace house benefiting from double glazing and gas radiator heating. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge with feature fireplace, kitchen/dining room with modern fitted kitchen area plus built in oven and hob, three bedrooms and a bathroom with refitted white suite. Outside there are gardens to the front and rear as well as off road parking for two cars.

Moulton T: 01604 494600



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SEMI LONG EPC: E £108,000

A two bedroom Victorian end terrace house with the added benefit of a single garage. Comprising entrance hall, 21'7 through lounge/dining room, fitted kitchen with built in oven, hob and extractor, cellar, two double bedrooms and a bathroom with white suite. All windows and doors are double glazed and there is gas radiator heating. Outside is a courtyard rear garden and the rare addition of a single garage. The property is offered with no onward chain.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



KINGSTHORPE EPC: D £139,995

A three bedroom end terrace property which has been extended over two storeys to incorporate the kitchen, conservatory and bathroom. The property also benefits from gas radiator heating, double glazing, front and rear gardens and a 23'1 x 13'0 purpose built outbuilding with power and light connected, which would make an ideal home office. Comprising entrance hall, open plan living/dining room, fitted kitchen, conservatory, three bedrooms and refitted bathroom.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



LONG BUCKBY EPC: F £164,995

A three bedroom semi detached house with a particularly large front garden, conventional rear garden and the store rooms and WC that are so often opened up to form part of the main accommodation. This good liveable family size house has scope for further accommodation. The property has gas radiator heating, majority UPVC double glazing, and is offered for sale with no chain. Entrance porch, hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms and bathroom.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



DUSTON VILLAGE EPC: E £127,500

A pleasantly situated Victorian style end terrace house with established gardens, offered for sale with no onward chain. Benefits include gas radiator heating, UPVC double glazing where specified, newly fitted wet room, separate family bathroom and potential to further improve. Comprising entrance hall, dining room, lounge, kitchen, rear lobby, wet room, two bedrooms, linen room and bathroom. Well suited to a first time buyer - early viewing is well advised.

Duston T: 01604 755757



CREATON EPC: D £210,000

A character cottage featuring an open fireplace, two multi fuel stoves, ceiling beams and exposed floorboards. The accommodation includes a lounge, dining room, conservatory, cloakroom and large kitchen/breakfast room on the ground floor. Upstairs, are the bathroom and three bedrooms, the third currently set up as a dressing room with large wardrobes and shower enclosure. Outside there is a rear garden, garage and off road parking.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



HUNSBURY MEADOWS

EPC: F £169,995

A modern three bedroom mid terrace property with the addition of a large conservatory. Comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, 16'0 x 14'6 conservatory, utility area, three bedrooms and a bathroom. There are double glazed windows and doors and gas radiator central heating. The single garage has been converted into a storage area and the utility area. The front of the property has off road parking and there is a tiered rear garden.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



HARDINGSTONE EPC: F £109,995

A good size two bedroom ground floor maisonette situated in the popular village of Hardingstone. Comprising entrance hall, lounge with French doors to the garden, kitchen with built in oven and hob, two bedrooms, bathroom, low maintenance paved rear garden and a single garage located in a nearby block. The property has underfloor heating, UPVC double glazing and is offered to the market with no onward chain. Photograph shows whole building.

Rode T: 01604 862442



WESTON FAVELL EPC: E £179,995

An extended three bedroom detached house located in a cul-de-sac within the sought after Weston Favell area. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, large dual aspect lounge/dining room, breakfast room, kitchen, three bedrooms and bathroom. Benefits include majority double glazing, gas radiator heating, gardens to front and rear, driveway providing off road parking for two/three cars and a single garage.

Abington T: 01604 231111



SPINNEY HILL EPC: E £204,995

This detached family home with accommodation comprising entrance hall, lounge with bay window, separate dining room with patio doors to the rear garden, fitted kitchen, side lobby with access to a utility room, WC, three bedrooms, a refitted bathroom and WC. The enclosed front garden provides extensive off road parking and access to two single garages. There is also an enclosed garden to the rear.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



MOULTON EPC: D S/O £65,000

70% SHARED OWNERSHIP. A rarely available one bedroom first floor maisonette situated in a no through road in the village of Moulton. The accommodation comprises entrance hall with stairs rising to first floor landing, lounge, kitchen, bedroom, bathroom with a white three piece suite and allocated off road parking. Benefits to the property include double glazed windows where specified. Photograph shows whole block.

Moulton T: 01604 494600

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HACKLETON EPC: C £169,995

A well proportioned two bedroom semi detached bungalow offered in excellent condition, benefiting from gas radiator heating and replacement windows, doors, soffits and fascias. Comprising fitted kitchen/breakfast room, lounge, inner hall, two double bedrooms, conservatory, shower room, low maintenance front garden with ample off road parking leading to a single garage, and a very well tended lawned rear garden with views across farm land.

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NO CHAIN



COGENHOE EPC: D £330,000

Sitting on a generous, southerly facing plot is this deceptively large and well proportioned detached bungalow comprising entrance hall, shower room, kitchen, lounge, dining room, inner hall, three bedrooms, bathroom, double garage, off road parking, private courtyard and wonderful 100' rear garden. Benefits include cavity wall insulation, majority double glazing and replacement boiler however the property does require a degree of modernisation. No onward chain.

Earls Barton T: 01604 810933



ABINGTON EPC: C £149,450

A modern three bedroom house situated close to Abington Park and Wellingborough Road. The property, which is offered for sale with no upward chain, has been recently redecorated with newly laid carpets. Comprising kitchen, lounge/dining room, three bedrooms and a bathroom. Outside there is an enclosed private rear garden in addition to the front garden and off road parking.

Abington T: 01604 231111



PARKLANDS EPC: D £159,950

A sizeable, extended three bedroom link detached bungalow situated on a quiet road. Comprising entrance porch, lounge, fitted kitchen, dining room, inner hall, three bedrooms and bathroom. There is a low maintenance, enclosed rear garden and an open plan frontage with driveway leading to the single garage. Further benefits include gas radiator heating, cavity wall insulation and UPVC double glazing.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



ST CRISPINS EPC: C £239,950

A modern four bedroom detached property, pleasantly situated in a cul-de-sac location. The accommodation comprises hall, cloakroom, lounge with double doors to decked patio, separate dining room, long kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, landing with doors to four bedrooms, master with en-suite and family bathroom. Additional features include gas radiator central heating, double glazed windows and doors where specified, driveway with parking and a single garage.

Duston T: 01604 755757



SCALDWELL EPC: E £245,000

An individual two bedroom detached property positioned very pleasantly in the picturesque village of Scaldwell with far reaching views over farmland. Set behind wooden double gates, there is a driveway, single garage and an enclosed rear garden with greenhouse and shed. The spacious accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge/dining room, snug, handmade fitted kitchen/breakfast room, master bedroom with balcony, second double bedroom and bathroom.

Moulton T: 01604 494600



QUEENS PARK EPC: D OIRO £104,500

A mature two bedroom mid terrace property providing convenient access to Kingsthorpe and Northampton town centre. Benefits include fitted kitchen, modern fitted bathroom, double glazing (where specified) and gas radiator heating. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, living / dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. Outside the property has an enclosed rear garden.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



BILLING ARBOUR EPC: D OIRO £164,000

A three bedroom semi detached red brick cottage with accommodation comprising entrance hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen, bathroom and three bedrooms. The rear garden is approx 60ft in length and enclosed on two sides by woodland, there is a brick built outhouse/storage barns and a concealed well. All windows and doors are double glazed and there is radiator heating.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



LONG BUCKBY EPC: D £154,995

A three bedroom link detached house with a garage and parking space, situated in a cul-de-sac just a short walk away from the many village amenities. Off the hall is a cloakroom and large lounge/dining room, and there is also kitchen and bathroom. The rear garden includes a patio, lawn and vegetable patch whilst the property has double glazing and radiator heating. There is no upward chain.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



DUSTON EPC: D £219,500

A pleasantly situated four bedroom detached house, with a detached double garage. The property has been well maintained and some benefits include gas radiator central heating which is annually serviced, burglar alarm system, well tended and low maintenance enclosed rear garden, double width driveway and NO CHAIN. Comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, master bedroom with ensuite, three further bedrooms and a bathroom.

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EARLS BARTON EPC: E £129,995

A three bedroom terrace house which requires general updating and modernisation, whilst benefiting from gas radiator heating and partial UPVC double glazing. The ground floor accommodation comprises entrance porch, hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, rear porch, bathroom and WC. To the first floor there are three bedrooms. Outside the property are courtyard style gardens to the front and rear. The property is offered with no onward chain.

Earls Barton T: 01604 810933



WAKES MEADOW EPC: D £205,000

We are pleased to offer this thoughtfully extended property. Entrance hall, lounge, dining room, large kitchen/breakfast room, utility room and a refitted WC. Upstairs are four bedrooms, three of which are doubles with built in wardrobes, the master having a good sized refitted ensuite and family bathroom. Benefits include gas radiator heating, UPVC double glazing, front and rear gardens, a block paved driveway and an integral store.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



NETHER HEYFORD EPC: D £189,995

A rarely available established three bedroom semi detached house. The property enjoys views across the Village Green. Additional features include gas radiator heating, double glazed windows and an enclosed rear garden with private patio area. Entrance hall, cloakroom, living room, kitchen/dining room, utility/store room and further potential for conversion (subject to gaining necessary planning consents). Three good sized bedrooms and a family bathroom.

Duston T: 01604 755757



KINGSTHORPE EPC: F £215,000

A three bedroom semi detached property with accommodation spanning three floors. The accommodation comprises hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, cellar, two first floor double bedrooms with ensuite to master bedroom and bathroom and a further double bedroom to the second floor. Outside there are gardens to the front and rear and a garage situated to the rear of the property.

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ABINGTON

EPC:

£189,995

A mature, three bedroom terrace house situated on one of Abington's most sought after roads. Comprising entrance hall, open plan lounge/dining room, fitted kitchen, full width rear sun room addition with utility area, three bedrooms, refitted bathroom, front garden, rear garden extending some 50' in length, office and garage. The property is presented in good decorative order and benefits from double glazing and gas radiator heating.

Abington T: 01604 231111



SPINNEY HILL

EPC: D

£169,995

A smartly presented and spacious three bedroom semi detached property which has recently undergone a programme of improvements. Comprises entrance hall, lounge, open plan kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms and a refitted bathroom. Further benefits include double glazing where specified, central heating with a refitted combination condensing boiler and neutral decor. There is also off road parking and a good size rear garden. The property is offered for sale with no onward chain.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000



LITTLE BILLING EPC: C £225,000

A well presented four bedroom detached property situated at the end of a cul-de-sac. The current owners have replaced the family bathroom, en-suite and cloakroom suites and the property has also been redecorated recently. Hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, conservatory, kitchen, four double bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom, front garden, off road parking, single garage and generous side/rear garden.

Northampton T: 01604 633122



KINGSTHORPE EPC: C £89,995

A deceptively spacious three (formerly two) bedroom ground floor flat which benefits from a replacement central heating system with combination boiler, double glazed windows and door and communal gardens. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, inner hall, living/dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom and WC. Photograph shows whole building.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197



GUILSBOROUGH EPC: C £190,000

A semi detached house situated near the edge of this lovely village surrounded by beautiful countryside. Features a lounge with log burning stove, recently fitted kitchen/dining room with range oven, conservatory, two double bedrooms and a recently refitted bathroom. Outside is a driveway providing off road parking for up to four cars, a good size front garden and a rear garden with decking areas and backs onto a paddock.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093



WESTON FAVELL EPC: E £219,995

A two bedroom detached bungalow set along a private lane. Entrance hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen, utility room, two double bedrooms, study/dressing room, bathroom, two gravel off road parking areas, front and rear gardens. We are advised that there is a large loft space offering development potential, subject to planning consents. No onward chain.

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NEW PRICE

HARTWELL EPC: E O.O £300,000

A 17th Century stone cottage offering four double bedrooms and three reception rooms, situated in this popular village. Entrance hall, lounge, study, dining/family room, kitchen, pantry, utility room, cloakroom, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, three further double bedrooms and family bathroom. Benefits include gas radiator heating, majority double glazing and period features. Outside are two enclosed garden areas and two off road parking areas.

Roade T: 01604 862442

BERRYDALE EPC: E £259,995

A deceptively spacious three bedroom detached bungalow with separate receptions rooms and a double garage. Entrance porch, hall, lounge, dining room, well appointed kitchen/breakfast room, master bedroom with ensuite shower room, two further bedrooms and bathroom. Outside there is a double width driveway, double detached garage with electric door, manageable front garden and a rear garden which offers a good degree of privacy.

Northampton T: 01604 633122

MOULTON EPC: D £335,000

An attractive five bedroom detached house enviably situated on an end plot in a small cul-de-sac. Boasts three reception rooms, two bath/shower rooms, gas radiator heating and double glazed windows. Comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, study, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, rear lobby, cloakroom, three double bedrooms and bathroom. Additional benefits include UPVC double glazing, gas radiator heating and an enclosed courtyard style rear garden.

Moulton T: 01604 494600

ABINGTON EPC: D £154,950

A three bedroom bay fronted terrace property offering good sized accommodation comprising through hall, two room cellar, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen/breakfast room, rear lobby, cloakroom, three double bedrooms and bathroom. Additional benefits include UPVC double glazing, gas radiator heating and an enclosed courtyard style rear garden.

Abington T: 01604 231111

WEST HADDON EPC: D £250,000

A three bedroom detached property situated at the end of a quiet village cul-de-sac. The adaptable accommodation is well presented and includes a ground floor bedroom and bathroom, 20'3 lounge and 19'8 conservatory. The large garden is a major feature and also provides the possibility for further extension/development, subject to planning permission. There is a four car driveway, garage, radiator heating and UPVC double glazing.

Long Buckby T: 01327 842093

KINGSTHORPE EPC: D £169,995

A three bedroom detached property with rear extension across the whole width of the property, providing good size family accommodation. Set on a corner plot, the property has front and rear gardens, a driveway providing off road parking and a single garage. Benefits include double glazing where specified and gas radiator heating. Comprising entrance hall, living room, extended dining room, extended fitted kitchen, cloakroom, three bedrooms and bathroom.

Kingsthorpe T: 01604 722197

NEW

ST CRISPINS EPC: C £220,000

A modern three storey, four bedroom town house, set in a popular cul-de-sac location. Benefits include a good size garden with patio and decked area, garage and off road parking to the rear and in the valuers opinion, is offered in excellent order throughout. Comprises hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, utility room and cloakroom, on the first floor is the master bedroom with ensuite, bedroom two and bathroom, on the second floor are two further bedrooms.

Duston T: 01604 755757

NO CHAIN

MANFIELD GRANGE EPC: C £209,950

A substantial four bedroom townhouse, set within attractive grounds and overlooking a Green to the rear. Comprising entrance hall, cloakroom, generously proportioned open plan lounge/dining room, fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, four double bedrooms, each with built in wardrobes, two en-suite shower rooms, balcony, dressing room, bathroom, courtyard gardens to front and rear, two parking spaces and a single garage. No onward chain.

Kingsley T: 01604 715000

WESTONE EPC: D £249,995

A stunning extended and refurbished four bedroom family home. Upon entering the property the entrance hall has solid oak flooring, lounge, dining room with a bay to the rear and French doors to the garden. The kitchen has been fully refitted to a high standard and boasts solid wood work surfaces, breakfast bar oak flooring and opens into a large family room area which is in excess of 24ft in length. To the first floor are four bedrooms and a refitted bathroom with roll top bath.

Northampton T: 01604 633122

ECTON EPC: C £335,000

An extended four bedroom detached property at the end of a no-through road. The property offers spacious, versatile accommodation with en-suite bedrooms on both floors. Hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, utility room, cloakroom, three ground floor bedrooms, en-suite shower room, bathroom, first floor bedroom with dressing area & en-suite parking for several cars, detached double garage and enclosed south-west facing gardens. No chain.

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Great Houghton

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NEW



NN3

£107,000

A spacious and well presented 2 bedroom ground floor apartment in this modern development close to many local amenities. The apartment benefits from being wheelchair accessible, further benefits include UPVC double glazing, car parking space and bin / recycling store.



Little Harrowden

£359,995

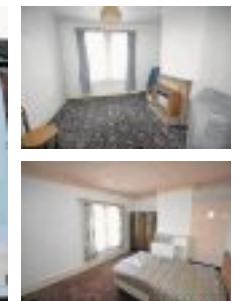
James Anthony are pleased to offer for sale this modern detached property set in a private drive in the popular village of Little Harrowden. The property boasts a kitchen breakfast room, utility room, dining room, study, cloakroom, lounge, four bedrooms two with en-suite shower rooms and a family bathroom. Viewing is highly recommended.



Duston

£164,995

An extended 3 bedroom link detached family home in this sought after cul-de-sac located within the popular residential area of Duston. The accommodation comprises of entrance hall, w.c/utility room, Lounge, dining room, kitchen and conservatory to the ground floor. To the first floor lay 3 bedrooms and the family bathroom.



NN1

Guide Price £100,000

In need of modernisation. James Anthony Estate Agents have been favoured in offering to the market this 2 bedroom terrace home in this popular location close to the town centre. Although the home has been well cared for, modernisation to include new kitchen, bathroom and heating system would be beneficial to bring this home up to date.



East Hunsbury



NN3

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Brafield on Green £345,000

- Semi Detached Family House
- Five Bedrooms
- Four Reception Rooms
- Kitchen & Family Bathroom



Delapre Crescent Road £150,000

- Recently Refurbished
- Finished to an Exceptional Standard
- Lounge with Feature Fireplace
- Separate Dining Area



Beddoes Close £125,000

- Two Bedroom End Terrace
- Off Road Parking
- Large Rear Garden with Gated Access
- Two Double Bedrooms



Park Corner £99,950

- Top Floor Apartment
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- Three Bedrooms
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Gayton Road £295,000

- Grade II Listed Factory Conversion
- Backs onto Grand Junction Canal
- Village Location
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner & Kitchen
- En-Suite to Master Bedroom



Dalestones £249,995

- Detached Family Property
- Four Double Bedrooms
- Triple Glazed Windows
- Detached Double Garage
- Re-fitted Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- En-Suite to Master



**Bostock Avenue £213,000**

- Mid Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Well Presented
- Open Plan Lounge/Diner
- Separate Dining Room
- Family Bathroom
- Converted Cellar
- Close to Town Centre

**Exmoor Close £220,000**

- Four Bedroom Link Detached Property
- No Onward Chain
- Extended to Rear & Side
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Walking Distance to Park
- Off Road Parking with Garage

**Brundall Close £215,000**

- Four Bedroom Detached House
- Solar Panels & Feature Inglenook
- Sought After Cul-de-Sac Location
- Lake to Rear of Property

**Glade Close £187,000**

- Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen & Conservatory

**Wilford Avenue £210,000**

- Four Bedroom Detached
- Large Rear Extension
- Large Rear Garden
- Blocked Paved Driveway
- Very Spacious Living
- Very Desirable Area

**Ashburnham Road £180,000**

- Three Bedroom Mid Terraced Property
- Located in the Abington District
- Very Spacious Family Home
- Large Lounge & Kitchen
- Cellar Ready for Conversion
- Being Modernised & Repainted Inside

**Heather Lane £163,000**

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking

**Burrows Court £132,500**

- Large Three Bedroom Terraced Property
- Ideal First Time Buyer House
- Separate Garage & Off Road Parking
- Re-fitted Kitchen & Bathroom

**Dairymeadow Court £110,000**

- Four Bedroom Mid Terraced Property
- Large Rear Garden with Gated Access
- Large Interior Living Space
- Three Double & Single Room

**Northcote Street £95,000**

- Two Bedroom Terraced House
- Cellar
- Large Lounge with Separate Diner
- Character Feature Fireplaces

**Doston £265,000**

- Detached House
- Four Bedrooms
- En-Suite to Master Bedroom
- Front & Rear Gardens

**St Columba's £260,000**

- Three Bedrooms
- Fitted Kitchen/Diner
- Family Bathroom
- En-Suite to Master Bedroom

**Dave Bowen Close £195,000**

- Newly Built Persimmon Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge & Dining Room
- En-Suite to Master Bedroom
- Off Road Parking
- Garage

**Northampton £215,000**

- Four Bedroom Property
- Master with En-Suite
- Family Bathroom
- Off Road Parking

**Northampton £159,995**

- Semi Detached Family House
- Three Bedrooms
- Extended Kitchen/Diner
- Front & Rear Garden

**Northampton OIEO £145,000**

- Dormer Style Bungalow
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- Lounge & Kitchen/Diner
- En-Suite & Family Bathroom

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**Nether Heyford £175,000**

- Three Bedroom House
- Lounge & Kitchen/Diner
- Ample Parking
- No Onward Chain

**Furnace Lane £150,000**

- Two Bedroom Home
- Lounge & Kitchen/Diner
- Ample Parking
- Rear Garden

**Northampton £145,000**

- Stone Built Cottage
- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen
- Cellar used for Storage

**Doston £140,000**

- Two Bedroom Coach House
- French Doors leading to Balcony
- Lounge/Diner & Private Garden
- Secure Allocated Parking

**Woodhill Road £140,000**

- Extended Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Large Kitchen/Diner
- In Need of Modernisation



Moulton Park £300,000

- Modern Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Sitting & Dining Room
- Master with En-Suite
- Family Bathroom
- Rear Garden



MAKE ME
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Northampton £225,000

- Dormer Bungalow
- Four Bedrooms
- Sitting Room, Dining Room
- Shower Room
- Tandem Length Car Port
- Front & Rear Gardens



MAKE ME
AN OFFER



Sunnyside £190,000

- Detached 'Heyford' Style Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Conservatory
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Double Garage



MAKE ME
AN OFFER



Northampton £150,000

- Semi Detached Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Off Road Parking



Northampton £110,000

- Two Bedroom Maisonette
- Off Road Parking
- Single Garage
- Rear Garden

MAKE ME
AN OFFER



Kingsthorpe £239,000

- Five Bedroom Detached Family Home
- Quiet Cul-de-Sac Location
- Four Bathrooms
- Lounge & Dining Room



Queens Park £240,000

- Three Storey Mid Terrace House
- Four Bedrooms & Master En-Suite
- Lounge/Dining Room & Kitchen
- WC, Cellar, Lean To



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Northampton £160,000

- Three Bedroom Home
- Lounge, Dining
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Shower Room



Queens Park £240,000

- Three Storey Mid Terrace House
- Four Bedrooms & Master En-Suite
- Lounge/Dining Room & Kitchen
- WC, Cellar, Lean To



Northampton £185,000

- Three Bedroom Detached Family Home
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Double Garage
- Bathroom & Shower Room



Northampton £150,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Detached Garage



Kingsthorpe Hollow £104,500

- Mid Terrace House
- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner, Kitchen, Cellar
- Enclosed Rear Garden



Northampton £90,000

- Three Bedrooms
- No Onward Chain
- Kitchen/Diner
- Rear Porch



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NOTICE OF OFFER

Property Address:
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£345,000 - Grove Rd Brafield On The Green

Mario Bartella Estate Agents are pleased to offer for sale this five bedroom family home which is located in a sought after location with views over open countryside and off road parking for over a dozen vehicles. The property has been greatly improved and extended over the years and considered by the Valuer to be ideal for a large family or somebody wishing to work from home. Benefits include double glazed windows, gas radiator central heating system, two en suite bathrooms and family bathroom, fitted kitchen with built in appliances, garage and front and rear gardens. An incredibly spacious property that must be seen in order to be fully appreciated.



£109,995 - Jubilee Crescent Wellingborough

An ideal opportunity for a first time buyer or young family presents itself in the form of this established three bedroom end terrace property which benefits from a generous size rear garden and also has off road parking. The accommodation briefly comprises lounge, kitchen, bathroom and three first floor bedrooms. Further features include UPVC double glazed windows and a gas radiator central heating system. A sensibly priced property that should be seen.



£239,995 - Sandy Close Wellingborough

A spacious and traditionally built four bedroom detached property presents itself in the form of this family home which is located in this sought after residential location and boasts numerous features. The accommodation briefly comprises of separate reception rooms, ground floor cloakroom, four well proportioned bedrooms, front and rear gardens, garage, and off road parking. Other benefits include gas radiator central heating system UPVC double glazed windows and doors and an outside pool viewings are highly recommended.

NO CHAIN



£159,950 - Oak View Wellingborough

A well presented three bedroom detached property which has been extended to provide a 14x12ft kitchen and is considered by the Valuer to make an ideal family home. Benefits include UPVC double glazed windows, gas radiator central heating system, cloakroom, separate reception rooms, three first floor bedrooms, new boiler and a family bathroom.



£169,950 - Rock Street Wellingborough

Mario Bartella Estate Agents are pleased to offer for sale this four storey four bedroom Victorian town house which is conveniently located for access to the town centre and offers spacious family accommodation. The property has been improved and updated over the years with features to include UPVC double glazed windows, gas radiator central heating



£155,000 - Queensway Wellingborough

Mario Bartella Estate Agents are pleased to offer for sale this well presented bay fronted three bedroom semi detached property located in an established residential location and with the rare advantage of a DOUBLE GARAGE. The property has been improved and updated over the years and offers features to include UPVC double glazed windows, gas



£310,000 - Bell Hill Finedon

Mario Bartella Estate Agents are pleased to offer for sale The Dovecot which is a stone constructed barn conversion located within a secure gated development offering a high degree of privacy. This substantial property has been finished to a high standard and includes a large open plan living and dining area, kitchen/breakfast room with built in appliances, vaulted ceilings with feature beams, study/gym room, 28ft drawing room, three double bedrooms all with en suite, double glazing, gas radiator central heating and an attractive stone wall enclosed garden. Properties in this development rarely become available and we strongly advise an early internal inspection.



£129,950 - Midland Road Wellingborough

Mario Bartella Estate Agents are pleased to offer for sale this spacious former Estate Agents Office which is located in this busy Town Centre location in a parade of other commercial units. The accommodation on offer totals approximately 1400 sq ft spread over two floors and is ready for immediate occupation.



£40,000 - Cogenhoe Mill

A superb 40x13 Westwood park home which enjoys a superb pitch overlooking a river and is offered for sale in show home condition. This comfortable home offers numerous features to include luxury fitted kitchen with built in appliances, UPVC double glazed windows and doors.



£174,950 - Midland Road Wellingborough

A superb period town house offering original features coupled with modern standards and ideal for access to the main line railway station. Features include UPVC double glazed windows, gas radiator central heating system, fitted kitchen with built in appliances, separate reception rooms and three double bedrooms. Further benefits include a large private rear garden.



£16,995 - Billing Aquadrome

Mario Bartella Estate Agents are pleased to offer for sale this very well presented 35x12 Atlas Lakeland Super 2 bedroom park home for sale on a large plot and in very good order. Benefits include Double glazing, Gas central heating a large decking area and outside storage. Billing Aquadrome offers a great family orientated holiday site with many amenities.



- Mario's Comments



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PROPERTY LADDER: Redrow is offering a 'Help to Buy' scheme for homeowners which is not exclusively for first-time buyers. This includes its homes in Towcester



Redrow initiative to help people buy

HOMEBUYERS could take advantage of a 'Help to Buy' scheme being offered by Redrow.

This will work in collaboration with a Government initiative to help first-time buyers get on to the property ladder.

It enables those who have at least a five per cent deposit to take out an equity loan from the government for up to 20 per cent of the purchase price.

Prospective buyers would be able to purchase a brand new Redrow home at Tove Grange in Towcester and enjoy lower monthly mortgage repayments.

This means they only need a 75 per cent mortgage from their chosen lender and should be able to access much more competitive interest rates.

This would make their mortgage repayments more affordable.

Unlike the Government's FirstBuy scheme, all types of purchasers can apply for an equity loan through 'Help to Buy', not just first-time buyers.

It is available exclusively on new homes.

Head of sales for Redrow Homes South Midlands, Tonia Tyler, said: "We very much welcome the 'Help to Buy' initiative as it will dramatically improve the outlook for many who want to move to a new home.

"But without the large deposit required by many lenders.

"It will open the door for those who have saved hard for a five per cent deposit.

It will also allow them access to better interest rates usually reserved for people with much larger savings."

A range of traditionally styled Redrow homes at Tove Grange will be available to purchase using the 'Help to Buy' scheme.

Current availability at the development includes four-bedroom detached family homes in a choice of styles.

Prices start from £309,950.

These equity loans are available on homes up to £600,000.

The loan can be repaid at any time or when the purchaser comes to sell their home.

The scheme will run from the beginning of this month and continue for three years.

Residents of Tove Grange will be able to enjoy some beautiful countryside walks including footpaths down to the River Tove. They will also be able to benefit from a host of local amenities close to home in Towcester.

The area is ideal for families and has shops, a leisure centre, open farms and schools.

This includes the Old Dairy Farm Centre, Rookery Open Farm and Catanger Llama Trekking.

There is also easy access to Northampton and Milton Keynes.

Show homes at Tove Grange are open every day from 10am to 5.30pm.

For the latest availability and pricing, call 01327 438 385 or visit www.redrow.co.uk/tove. For more information see www.redrow.co.uk/helping-you-move/help-to-buy

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Plot 246 - The Mitchell

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LET'S SING THE BLUES

Spring is a time for new things - the arrival of lambs and baby birds and new flowers blooming.

But in this season of change you might also look to make some updates in your life.

Home decor is one of those examples of trying something new.

If you already have a neutral room you can simply introduce a new colour through your choice of accessories and soft furnishings.

And we have got the blues this week and have been inspired by a host of items in this cool colour palette.

It's a great tone for this time of year as it's fresh and bright - perfect for those sunny spring days.

And why some might think of it as cold, use it in a room that has lots of natural light and you'll find it creates a peaceful modern look.



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Faux mohair throw
-Sainsburys £20



Ceramic wave vase
-Alison at Home £24.50

Fourth year of five stars for builder

RESULTS: A five star rating has been awarded to David Wilson Homes South Midlands in the Home Builders Federation Customer Satisfaction Survey 2013



A FIVE star housebuilder rating has been given to David Wilson Homes South Midlands.

They were awarded the maximum honour for the fourth consecutive year in the 2013 Home Builders Federation Customer Satisfaction Survey.

The results came from an annual customer questionnaire, run by the Home Builders Federation (HBF).

The independent UK-wide survey, completed by 29,000 UK homebuyers during October 2011 to September 2012, revealed that more than 90 per cent of all respondents would recommend David Wilson Homes South Midlands.

Jackie Day, sales director at David Wilson Homes South Midlands, said: "We take an enormous amount of pride in the consistently high levels of quality and service that we deliver for our customers in Northamptonshire.

"It's a great achievement for our employees to be recognised as leaders in customer service.

"We are passionate about the quality of the homes

we build so it's fantastic for everyone associated with David Wilson Homes South Midlands to be rewarded nationally in this way."

Stewart Baseley, executive chairman of HBF, said: "These results clearly demonstrate that consumers are overwhelmingly happy with the service house builders are delivering.

"The results are a testament to the efforts made by our industry to deliver products and services that consumers are happy with, despite the difficult business environment."

David Wilson Homes South Midlands currently has a range of developments in Northamptonshire.

These include Pineham Lock in Samwell Way, Richmond Park in Patenall Way, Higham Ferrers, and Latimer Gardens, off Higham Road in Burton Latimer.

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NEW



DUSTON **EPC: B**

£550 pcm

A two bedroom semi detached property situated in this popular residential area. The accommodation comprises entrance hall with stairs rising to first floor, lounge with doors leading to the rear garden, kitchen with cooker, first floor landing, two bedrooms and a bathroom with shower. Outside is a rear garden.

NEW



GREGORY GARDENS EPC: D

£575 pcm

A well presented two bedroom 2nd floor apartment that benefits from UPVC double glazing and an en suite to the master bedroom. The accommodation comprises hallway, lounge/diner, kitchen, master bedroom with en suite, one further double bedroom and a bathroom. Outside there is off road parking. FURNISHED

NEW



GRANGE PARK EPC: C **£750 pcm**

A three bedroom semi detached property situated in this popular area of Northampton. The accommodation comprises hallway, kitchen/breakfast room, downstairs WC, lounge, master bedroom with en suite, one further double bedroom, one single bedroom and a family bathroom. Outside there are front and rear gardens, off road parking and a single garage. UNFURNISHED

NEW



DUSTON **EPC: B** **£445 pcm**

A one bedroom clipper style property situated in this popular area of Northampton. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, open plan living area incorporating lounge and kitchen, bathroom with shower and an galleried double bedroom. Outside there are communal gardens to the side of the property. UNFURNISHED

NEW



ABINGTON EPC: F **£450 pcm**

A three bedroom first floor flat close to local amenities and the Town Centre. Accommodation comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, two double bedrooms, one single bedroom, bathroom and separate W.C. UNFURNISHED

NEW



MOULTON EPC: D **£575 pcm**

A two bedroom first floor apartment situated in this popular village location. The property is to be redecorated and re-carpeted throughout. The accommodation comprises hallway, lounge/diner, kitchen, one double bedroom, one single bedroom and a bathroom. UNFURNISHED

NEW



DUSTON EPC: C **£650 pcm**

A two bedroom semi detached bungalow offered in excellent condition. The accommodation comprises hallway, extended lounge/diner, kitchen with oven and fridge/freezer, one double bedroom, one small double bedroom and a new bathroom with shower. Outside there are front and rear gardens and off road parking. UNFURNISHED

SYWELL EPC: C

£2,500 pcm



An executive five bedroom detached house offered in excellent condition. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, downstairs WC, kitchen/breakfast room with appliances, lounge, dining room, study, master bedroom with five piece en suite bathroom, one further double bedroom with fitted wardrobes and en suite, two double bedrooms (both with fitted wardrobes), one single bedroom and a family bathroom with shower. Outside there are front and rear gardens and a single garage. PART FURNISHED

ABINGTON VALE EPC: D **£850 pcm**

A four bedroom detached home situated in the popular location of Abington Vale. The accommodation in brief comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen with oven, downstairs cloakroom/WC, master bedroom with fitted wardrobes, two further double bedrooms and a single bedroom and a bathroom with shower. Outside there are gardens to front and rear, single garage and off road parking. UNFURNISHED



OVERSTONE EPC: D **£750 pcm**

A three bedroom semi detached property situated in this sought after village location. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/diner with built in oven, utility room, downstairs WC, two double bedrooms, one single bedroom and bathroom with shower. Outside there are front and rear gardens, off road parking and a detached double garage. UNFURNISHED



PHIPPSVILLE EPC: B **£850 pcm**

A well presented three bedroom detached bungalow situated in this popular area close to local amenities. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen with built in oven and refrigerator, utility room, two double bedrooms both with fitted wardrobes, single bedroom and bathroom with separate shower cubicle. Outside there is a driveway providing off road parking, garage and a rear garden.



EAST HUNSBURY EPC: C **£450 pcm**

A well presented one bedroom ground floor maisonette situated in this sought after location. In brief the accommodation comprises lounge, recently fitted kitchen with oven, double bedroom and bathroom with shower. Further benefits include oil filled radiators and two off road parking spaces. The photograph shows the whole building. UNFURNISHED



KINGSTHORPE EPC: D **£465 pcm**

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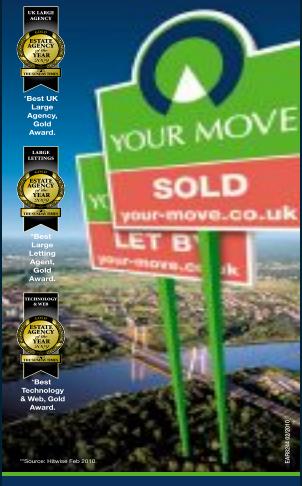


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May 25-27

THIS popular boat show and waterways festival is sure to make a splash once again when it returns at the end of next month.

The event is organised by Waterways World in partnership

with the Canal & River Trust and Crick Marina and is expected to attract 25,000 visitors.

This year it will be officially opened by Julia Bradbury (*pictured inset*), presenter of Canal Walks, Countryfile, Watchdog, Railway Walks and Wainwright Walks, and she will give a talk at the show about how her walking life started.

Julia said: "I'm delighted to be opening the Crick Boat Show and Waterways Festival, where the canal world converges in the Northamp-

tonshire countryside to celebrate our wonderful network of inland waterways and provide a great day out for all the family.

"I thoroughly enjoyed exploring some of Britain's canals for my Canal Walks series, including the Kennet & Avon, Worcester & Birmingham and Llangollen canals.

"They cut a sedate path through some of the country's finest scenery. I look forward to sharing some of my memories with Crick Boat Show visitors during my talk."

The *Herald & Post* has teamed up with the organisers of the show to give away ten pairs of family tickets which are for two adults and two children. To be in with a chance of winning, answer this question:

Which of these programmes does Julia Bradbury present:

A: Countryside B: Countryfile C: Country House

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CINEMA LISTINGS 12 April 2013 - 18 April 2013

MALAYALAM:

Amen (2D) (PG) (3h10) (NFT)
Tues: 19:00

PAID PREVIEW:

Olympus Has Fallen (2D) (15) (2h15) (NFT)
Weds/Thurs: 13.00, 14.15, 15.45, 17.15, 19.15, 20.15, (22.15 Weds Late)

Evil Dead (2D) (18) (2h15) (NFT)
Thurs: 14.15, 16.45, 19.00, 20.00, 21.15

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Sammy's Tale (2D) (U) (1h50)
Fri/Sat/Sun: 10.20

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NEW RELEASES:

Oblivion (2D) (12A) (2h25) (NFT)
Daily: (11.30 Fri/Sat/Sun), 14.30, 17.30, 20.30, (23.15 Fri/Sat Late)
Fri/Weds: 12.45, 15.30, 18.15, 21.15, (22.40 Weds Late)

Scary Movie (2D) (TBC) (1h45) (NFT)
Daily: (11.50 Fri/Sat/Sun), 14.00, 16.15, 18.30, 20.50, (23.00 Fri/Sat/Wed Late)

3D FILMS:

Gi Joe: Retaliation (3D) (12A) (2h10) (NFT)
Daily: 18.00, 20.40, (23.20 Fri/Sat Late)

The Croods (3D) (U) (2h05) (NFT)
Daily: 13.00, 15.45

FILM TITLE, CERTIFICATE AND TIMES:

Dark Skies (2D) (15) (2h) (NFT)
Daily: (11.20 Fri/Sat/Sun), 13.45, 16.30, 18.45, 21.00, (23.25 Fri/Sat/Lates)

Spring Breakers (2D) (18) (1h55) (NFT)
Fri/Sat/Wed Late: 22.30

The Odd Life of Timothy Green (2D) (U) (2h05) (NFT)
Fri-Mon-Thurs: (10.30 Sat/Sun), 12.45

The Host (2D) (12A) (2h)
Sat/Sun: 10.00, 12.40

Gi Joe: Retaliation (2D) (12A) (2h10)
Fri-Tues: (11.40 Fri/Sat/Sun), 14.15, 17.15, 19.45, (22.20 Fri/Sat Late)

Trance (2D) (15) (2h10)
Daily: (10.10 Fri), (15.15 Not Sat/Sun), (15.20 Sat/Sun), (17.50, 20.15 Not Tues), (22.45 Fri/Sat Late)

The Croods (2D) (U) (2h05)
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SUBTITLED PERFORMANCES:

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What's On 24/7

Herald&Post Brief

COMEDY IS SUCH A SCREAM

ROYAL & Derngate's comedy club Screaming Blue Murder returns on Friday, April 19. Three award-winning stars of stand-up will take to the Underground stage for

another rollickingly funny start to the weekend, compered by Dan Evans.

Dublin-born comedian Mary Bourke will deliver her sardonic, acerbic material, while Marc Luccero will provide some sharp wit and Ria Lina

delivers her dry humour and bawdy ukulele songs. Tickets are £11.50 in advance or £12.50 on the door. Doors open at 7.45pm. The show is recommended for ages 16 and over. To book, call 01604 624811.

We are going crackers for Reginald's new tour

COMEDY

REGINALD D HUNTER

Royal & Derngate
May 30, 8pm

REGINALD D Hunter is gearing up for his return to Northampton.

He is touring the country again this year with his own unique blend of humour in a brand new show, Reginald D Hunter - In The Midst Of Crackers.

In just over a decade since he began performing, Reginald has become one of the UK comedy industry's best-known and most distinctive performers.

His popularity has led to him



being invited to perform in venues around the world in places such as Singapore, Hong Kong, Thailand, South Africa and The Sydney and Melbourne Comedy Festivals.

Reginald is also a well-known face on primetime television shows such as 8 Out Of 10 Cats, Never Mind The Buzzcocks and QI and is a frequent guest on Have I Got News For You.

He has recently appeared in Argumental for Dave Channel and Would I Lie To You for BBC1.

He also starred alongside Andy Hamilton in BBC4's It's Only A Theory and appeared in the New Year's Day episode of Live At The Apollo (BBC1).

Reginald's last two UK tours have taken in more than 70 venues each and have sold out virtually every night.

Tickets to see him in Northampton are £25, from 01604 624811.

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When in Rome - Players get saucy

THEATRE

UP POMPEII

Duston Community Centre
April 17-20, 7.45pm

DUSTON Players are serving up their version of the saucy comedy **Up Pompeii**.

Originally starring the late Frankie Howerd as slave Lurcio in both TV and film versions, this hysterical historical farce beats the British Museum, not just showing how people in Pompeii lived, but how they lived it up.

John Myhill takes on the task of filling Frankie's shoes in the play which is set at the time of the infamous eruption of Vesuvius.

The cast includes new member Clare Enright-King playing the daughter of a

character played by her husband Paul, which has caused much teasing in rehearsals.

Meanwhile, among more familiar cast members, is someone who hasn't been on the Duston stage for 13 years.

Karen Thomas moved to the West Country and has only just come back and is now relishing the part of "well known nymphomaniac and beauty" Suspenda.

Up Pompeii will be performed at Duston Community Centre in Pendle Road each evening at 7.45pm.

Tickets are £8 for adults and £6 for concessions.

They can be booked and paid for online at www.dustonplayers.org.uk, or ordered from the box office on 01604 592987.

The show contains adult humour and is unsuitable for younger children.

New recruit James gets top theatre job

THEATRE

ROYAL & Derngate has announced the appointment of James Dacre as its new artistic director, following the departure of Laurie Sansom to head up the National Theatre of Scotland.

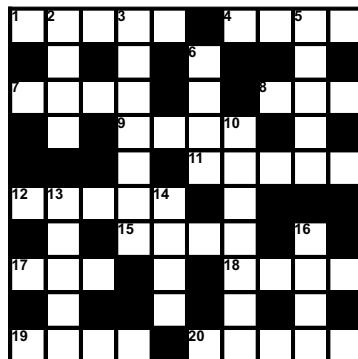
Dacre has worked extensively both in regional theatre and in London, having trained on the ITV/Channel 4 Regional Theatre Scheme at the New Vic Theatre, Stoke, where he later became resident Artistic Associate.

Previously, a Fulbright Fellowship allowed him to work extensively in America.

Notable directing credits include the world premiere of The Mountaintop by Katori Hall at Theatre503 (and later in the West End), which won the 2010 Olivier Award for Best New Play, As You Like It for Shakespeare's Globe and on two European tours, King James Bible for the Royal National Theatre and The Accrington Pals at Royal Exchange, Manchester.

His premiere of The Thrill of Love by Amanda Whittington (New Vic Theatre and Stephen Joseph Theatre) recently transferred to the new St James Theatre in London.

James will take up his new post at Royal & Derngate in the summer.



QUICKSOLVE?

ACROSS

- 1.Sweets (5)
- 4.Star quality (4)
- 7.Touch lips (4)
- 8.Pig pen (3)
- 9.Rebuff (4)
- 11.Army rank (5)
- 12.Landing stage (5)
- 15.Long tooth (4)
- 17.A deer (3)
- 18.Hang about (4)
- 19.Cattle (4)
- 20.Concur (5)

DOWN

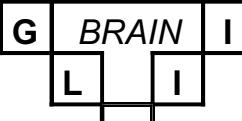
- 2.A continent (4)
- 3.Pudding (7)
- 5.Underground (5)
- 6.Miserable (4)
- 10.Work in hand (7)
- 13.Coil (5)
- 14.Replete (4)
- 16.No charge (4)

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Find the words: Up, down, forwards, backwards, straight or diagonal. This week: Join: Couple, Join, Brace, Pair, Hitch, Tie, Marry, Ally, Connect, Yoke, Cleave, Wed, Affix, Knit, Link, Enrol, Fuse, Combine, Glue, Unite

SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEK
ACROSS: 2.Hacienda 6.Mozzarella 7.Lyrist
11.Yellow 14.Triumphant 15.Sanskrit
DOWN: 1.Comply 2.Hazard 3.Classy 4.Eden
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NEW CAR REVIEW

Chevrolet Trax

CROSS THE TRAX

By Andy Enright

The Chevrolet Trax aims to give the Nissan Juke and the Skoda Yeti something to think about in the compact Crossover market. There's a choice of three engines, auto and manual transmissions and a front or four wheel drive chassis.

The Trax has clearly been designed to appeal to as wide a cross-section of the compact crossover demographic as possible. The front-wheel drive versions target those who just want a beefy-looking urban scoot that can do the school run and shopping with the bonus of an elevated driving position. Go for an all-wheel drive model and you're not really going to be buying yourself an awful lot of off-road ability but there's plenty of all-weather traction on offer and, as you might expect in this class, the 4WD mechanicals don't require any special levers or buttons to activate. Drive the Trax on a normal tarmac surface and it'll direct all drive to the front wheels for optimum efficiency but when the road surface is slippery, as much as 50 per cent



of the drive is automatically diverted to the rear axle. Don't worry too much about heavy all-wheel drive mechanicals either. This set up adds just 65kg to the all-up weight of a front-wheel drive variant.

There are three engines to select from, with a pair of petrol powerplants kicking off proceedings. They're the wrong way round though. The bigger capacity engine is actually the cheaper one. The 115PS, 1.6-litre naturally-aspirated unit is an honest enough thing but after trying it, you might well want to keep saving for the 140PS 1.4-litre Turbo. The difference between the two? The 1.6 makes 155Nm of torque at a fairly revvy 4,000rpm, whereas at just 1850rpm, the 1.4T is already making 200Nm. In other words, performance is both stronger and easier to access without any penalty in fuel consumption. I think that's what's called a no-brainer.

The 1.7 CDTI turbodiesel is stronger still, with a hefty 300Nm of torque, and can be ordered with either a six-speed manual or a six-speed automatic gearbox. The 1.4 Turbo is brisk, registering 60mph from rest in 9.6 seconds, which is half a second quicker than the all-wheel drive diesel and exactly the same time as the front-wheel drive diesel model. Still want that four-wheel drive?

If you like what you've read and can get yourself the right upfront price, it might be worth making Trax towards this Chevy. If so, I'd suggest you look at the diesel variant first.

FACTS AT A GLANCE

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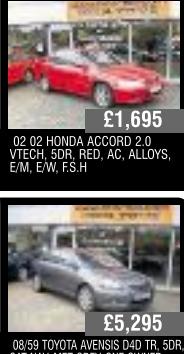
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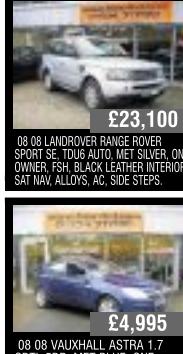
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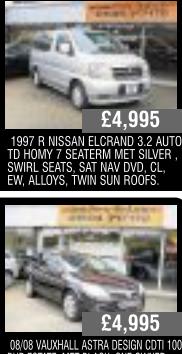
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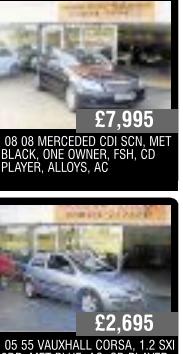
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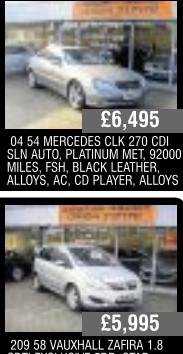
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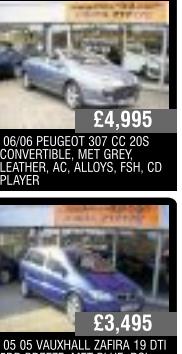
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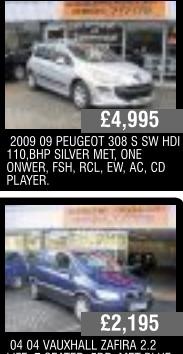
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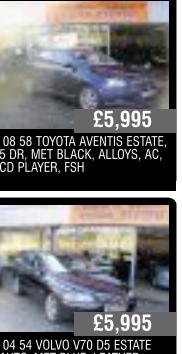
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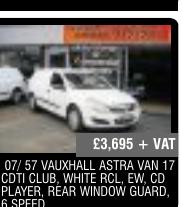
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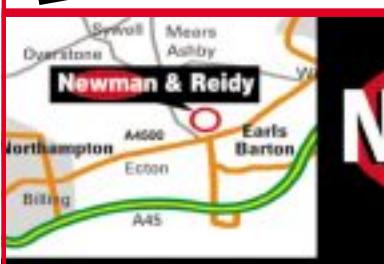
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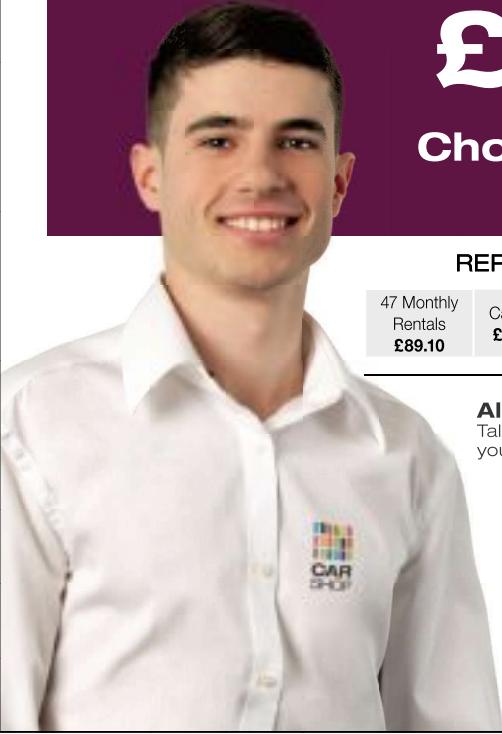
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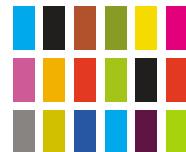
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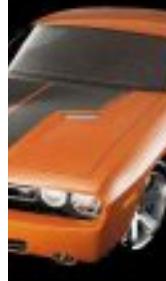
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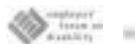
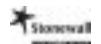
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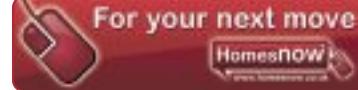
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Kralj takes April crown

SNOOKER

RONNIE Kralj won April's Monthly Tournament at Barratts Club with a 3-2 win over club favourite Biagio Sereno in Sunday's final after letting a 2-0 lead slip.

Kralj, who also made the highest break of the competition with 75, played well throughout the day and scored well.

Breaks of 40 and 73 gave him a 2-0 lead, and when Sereno potted the white in the next Kralj just needed blue, pink and black to take the title.

However, he saw the black rattle in the jaws of the pocket and stayed out. Sereno then potted the long black for 2-1 and dominated the next to even things up. But he missed a difficult red to the middle and played a bad shot with the extension before Kralj pulled himself together to take the title.

The plate competition was won by Darren Davis, beating Steve Evans 2-1.

Playe pair double up

SAILING

MIKE and Helen Playe took wins in Sunday's first and third races in the latest round of the Hollowell Spring Series on Sunday, beating off competition from 48 other boats.

Allowing for handicaps, the pair sailing their Wayfarer did enough to take their first two wins of the year in the event. Lawrence Creaser took the race two honours in his Laser on his return from university.

The wins for Mike follow up his victory in the second race of the Easter weekend's Rita Richardson pursuit, which Creaser had also performed well in.

The results mean Ian Clark returns to the top of the Spring Series standings, with new member Keith Runacres just behind him in second. Previous leader Keith Lancaster drops down to third.

Races 13, 14 and 15 in the Spring Series take place at Hollowell Reservoir on Sunday, April 21.

Banshees issue cry

KORFBALL

NORTHAMPTON Banshees Korfball Club are relaunching their training sessions and team, and are looking for new players, including absolute beginners, to come and try the sport.

All men and women are welcome to their new training sessions on Wednesdays from 9-10pm in the sports hall at Caroline Chisholm School in Wootton Fields and newcomers can have their first session for free.

The team will be coached by former Great Britain Student Korfball squad member Ed Regan. They will be playing friendly matches and tournaments over the spring and summer and aims to compete in the South Midlands Korfball Association league next season. For more information email edward.regan@gmail.com.

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Wakely ready to lead Steelbacks



■ Alex Wakely will lead the Steelbacks in 2013 (Picture: Andy Kearns)

CRICKET

BY MARC BAZELEY

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ALEX Wakely seems to have been preordained to be a future Northamptonshire captain ever since he was making his way with the club as a promising youngster, and in 2013 he finally gets his chance.

The 24-year-old batsman was chosen to skipper the Steelbacks in the Yorkshire Bank 40 and Friends Life t20 limited overs competitions after Andrew Hall resigned the captaincy at the end of last season, with new club captain Stephen Peters leading the team in the LV= County Championship.

As a former England Under-19 captain, and having taken the role temporarily when Hall was injured in 2012, the responsibility is nothing new to him. Indeed, Wakely is relishing the prospect.

"It's something that for whatever reason, I've always been asked to do for the sides I have played in, and it's now a chance for me to show what I can do," said Wakely. "Hopefully it will help me with my career."

"Being given a bit of leadership is a chance to lead by example and I want to be out there scoring the runs and have people follow me. I'm not going to be the kind of captain who gives big speeches, I want people to follow what I do and it's an exciting time."

Former Northants head coach David Capel often spoke glowingly of Wakely's future leadership potential, and current boss David Ripley - himself a former captain at the County Ground - has seen fit to

entrust him with the role for the two limited overs competitions.

It is an onerous task for the right-hander though as he faces having to bring about a revival in the Steelbacks' one-day fortunes following a dismal 2012 which saw them once again fail to get out of their group in either the 40 or Twenty20 tournaments.

Wakely's first game as Steelbacks captain is at home to Nottinghamshire Outlaws in the YB40 on Sunday, May 5. But before then, County Championship Division Two takes priority.

The season began yesterday away to Glamorgan in Cardiff, with the visitors making the most of choosing to bowl first after skittling out the home side for just 154 in 50 overs, with the returning Steven Crook taking 4-30.

Wakely is keen to work closely with Peters to ensure there are no divisions between the four-day and one-day sides, and insists they have not lost sight of trying to achieve promotion in the Championship despite all the talk of improving the limited overs form.

"For me, Championship cricket is still the pinnacle and test cricket is still the pinnacle of international cricket, so we're never going to forget that just because there is all of this talk about one-day cricket," said Wakely.

"The guys have worked just as hard on their four-day cricket, Stephen is the perfect man for the job and I think the club is in a very good position. Our bowling is probably as strong as I have seen it for a long time and if the batting can fire, there is no better batting line-up that us."

King's Heath set sights on Junior glory

BOXING

KING'S Heath ABC are set to mount a six-pronged assault on this year's ABAE Junior Championship, and coach James Conway is confident they are capable of having several fighters return triumphant.

The East Midlands round of the 2013 tournament is on Sunday at Scunthorpe's Redbourn Sports & Social Club, with last year's Class Five 63kg champion Reuben Arrowsmith spearheading their challenge.

Other Class Five entrants are NABC Championship runner-up Sam Daly (51kg), Noel Smith (70kg) and Kieron Conway (60kg). Charlie Lee and Ryan Conway are also in the Class Four competition at 60kg and 52kg respectively.

Reuben is the one to beat at his weight and Sam is one of the best in the country at his, said King's Heath coach Conway. "Kieron and Ryan are usually amongst the top three or four in the country as well, so we've got high hopes for them."

"It's difficult for Noel because he hasn't had many fights, so we're throwing him in there a bit. Charlie has only had 15 fights as well and you never know what you're going to get with him, but he has won his last four and he's getting better."

Far Cotton Boys ABC had planned to enter four boxers in this year's tournament, but that number has been reduced to three after Carl Fail suffered a recent bout of illness which left him unable to train in the build-up.

His twin brother, Ben, Drew Brown and Kyle Owen will instead represent the club. Fail is in the Class Four 66kg bracket, while Brown and Owen are in the Class Five competition at 63kg and 80kg respectively.

The club have already had three of their boxers reach the finals of this year's ABAE Schools Championship, although all were defeated, and head coach John Daly hopes one of the Junior trio will be able to give Far Cotton their first national champion.

"Because it's the school holidays we've had the boys in training day and night, making sure they are at the right weight," said Daly.

"They've all had good sparring and the lads are really excited about Sunday. Hopefully they can do the business."

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Experience to the fore for Platt

FOOTBALL**BY MARC BAZELEY**

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CLIVE PLATT believes Northampton Town's senior players must stand up and be counted in the final weeks of the season if they are to be assured of gaining automatic promotion from League Two.

The Cobblers dropped down to fourth in the standings after Burton Albion won 2-0 at home to Wycombe Wanderers on Tuesday, but are just two points behind the Brewers with a game in hand and a superior goal difference.

The first of their final four games is against relegation-threatened York City at Sixfields on Saturday and as one of the elder statesmen in the squad, Platt knows it is up to him and the other experienced pros to help guide the younger players in highly-fought circumstances.

"We're in a great position and obviously everyone wants to get promoted," said Platt. "There is a bit of excitement because we think we will do it, but there is also nervousness because we don't want to lose that position."

"There are a few players who have been in this position before, a few players with a lot of games and a few promotions under their belt, so hopefully the older lads can have a word with the younger lads and help them through."

A 1-0 defeat away to play-off hopefuls Bradford City last Saturday was not as much of a blow as it could have been as some of Northampton's promotion rivals also suffered slip-ups of their own.

But it was another sign of their away day blues continuing and they have now suffered 11 losses on their travels this season. Nevertheless, manager Aidy Boothroyd is confident that will change ahead of upcoming games at Wycombe and second-placed Port Vale.

"I can't tell you when that is going to be, but we are going to do it," said Boothroyd. "We are going to win away because our support is great, because our team spirit is great, and if we can keep our discipline and learn lessons at key stages of the season then we've got a really good chance."

"It's up to us to give York a good game, then Wycombe after that and we'll see where it takes us. If everybody else keeps losing and we win a couple then we might be alright."

Boothroyd is also keen to avoid rushing Platt back into the side. The forward has been a frustrated spectator recently after suffering a calf injury in the win over Torquay United on Good Friday, and was an unused substitute in the defeats at Cheltenham Town and Bradford.

The Northampton boss has stated he is prepared to give the 35-year-old as long as he needs to ensure he is at full fitness for however many of the last four games he can play in.

"The last thing I'm going to do is lose him because when he plays well, the team plays well and he's a key player for us," said Boothroyd.

It remains to be seen whether Platt will be able to play any part against York at the weekend, and with three games in the space of a week it would not be surprising to see him give further time to recover.

He is keen for Northampton to continue their impressive home record when the Minstermen visit on Saturday, but also admits he is mystified as to why they have been unable to replicate that form on their travels.

"I don't know what it is," said Platt. "No-one has been able to put their finger on it all year why we can't get results away from home. Hopefully it's something we can rectify with these last two away games we have got."

"Going into a couple of away games it will be difficult, but then we're back at home for the last game of the season."



■ Clive Platt says older players must step up to the mark

Di Resta plays down prospects

FORMULA ONE

PAUL di Resta is keen to keep a lid on expectations as Sahara Force India head into Sunday's Chinese Grand Prix after a strong start to the 2013 Formula One season.

The Silverstone-based team had both drivers finish in the points in the opening round in Australia and were thwarted in their attempts to repeat that feat in Malaysia after problems securing the wheel nuts at pit stops.

Despite the enforced double retirement at Sepang, the VJM06 had shown good pace. However, di Resta is wary of talking up their prospects with 17 races still to go.

"It is important not to get carried away and to keep doing our job at each race," di Resta said. "We appear to be in a good position at the moment, but no one can say where

we will be compared to our rivals after the next two races.

"We know McLaren are a very strong team and they will develop well, so all we can do is continue pushing hard to try and stay ahead of them. We have been doing a good job so far - better than many people expected - but there's a long way to go."

The team have worked hard over the last three weeks to ensure there is no repeat of the problems both di Resta and team mate Adrian Sutil encountered at their pit stops in Malaysia for the back-to-back races in China and Bahrain.

"We were unlucky not to get any points in Malaysia, but we can take some positives from the performance we showed on the track," said di Resta. "We looked to be one of the fastest teams during the early part of the race."

First podium for Bamboo's Nash

TOURING CARS

JAMES NASH claimed the first World Touring Car Championship (WTCC) podium finish of his career as Bamboo Engineering enjoyed another strong weekend in the Race of Morocco.

Nash finished third in the Silverstone-based team's Chevrolet Cruze during race one around the Marrakech Street Circuit, followed by fourth in the second race after starting ninth due to the reversed grid.

His results were also good enough for second and first in the Yokohama Trophy for independent drivers, and he leads that competition by six points from Michael Nkajaeer.

"It felt great to get my first WTCC podium," said Nash. "I have fond memories of Marrakech from last year but I can say I enjoy it much more taking home silverware."

"I'm annoyed about finishing fourth in race two, but I'll leave that conversation there."

Bamboo team mate Alex MacDowall finished sixth in race one, and third in the Yokohama Trophy, but was forced to retire in an incident packed second race after being taken out by the Honda Civic of Gabriele Tarquini.

"It's been a tough weekend," said MacDowall. "On the upside my pace has been very strong. I've been pushing the likes of Tarquini and [Yvan] Muller."

"The downside is that a DNF has really hurt my championship charge. However, there is still a long way to go so it's game on for the next round."

MacDowall is third in the Yokohama Trophy standings, while Bamboo are second in the independent team championship. The next round of the WTCC is the Race of Slovakia at Orechová Potô on Sunday, April 28.

Thunder on title course

BASKETBALL

NORTHANTS Thunder booked their place in this weekend's VCARS.co.uk Division Four Final Fours with a resounding 102-73 victory over Stockport Spartans in the play-off quarter final.

Leon Henry led the way for the hosts at the Northants Basketball Centre with 25 points as the hosts overcame a side containing former England international Jason Swaine and several experienced national league players.

Thunder combined aggressive full court man-to-man defence with some swift counter-attacks led by Jonny Yates and the home team rushed into a 34-19 lead after the first period of play.

However, they let the intensity drop in the second quarter and Spartans narrowed the gap to 48-40 at half time.

Considerable pressure on the Stockport ball handlers forced a number of turnovers leading to easy Thunder scores after half time and they took a 77-60 lead heading into the final period.

Thunder upped their defensive pressure at the start of the fourth and their side of the scoreboard rattled over at a high rate of knots, recording a convincing win. Along with Henry's haul, Jonny Yates contributed 17 points and Tucker combined his defensive duties with 12.

Their opponents in the semi-final at Leeds on Saturday will be Bracknell Cobras who went through the regular season undefeated in the South-West Conference. The winner faces Tees Valley Mohawks II, who beat Barking Abbey 87-86 in the other semi, the following day.

Four ready for finals

BOWLS

NORTHAMPTON & DISTRICT IBC have four bowlers involved in Sunday's Regional Finals of the English Bowls Development Scheme Schools of Excellence at Melton & District IBC.

Conor Bryan, Lydia Howley and Maisie Lee are all competing in the Junior section, as does Kingsthorpe IBC's Megan Rolfe, while Liam Baxter is their sole representative in the Senior section.

They are joined in Melton Mowbray by the best under-18 players from Warwickshire, Leicestershire and Lincolnshire, and split into groups to play a series of short matches followed by skills exercises.

The top four scorers play off in a short semi-final and final, with the winners returning for the National Finals at the same venue on Sunday, October 27.

Northampton & District will host the men's indoor county finals over the weekend of April 19-21, with the host club represented in two of the competitions.

Chris Bland's rink play the Desborough IBC rink skipped by Martin Cinato in the Fours final, while Colin Dalgleish's triple will play either Matt Pownall's Desborough three or Scott Johnson's Wellingborough IBC trio in the Triples.

There could be an all-Kingsthorpe final in the Pairs. David Walker and his partner are already through, while Darren Lewis and his partner will hope to join them with a win over Wayne Gregory's Wellingborough pair. Walker can also make the final of the Under-25 Singles if he beats Desborough's Connor Cinato.

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Mallinder eyes 'big role' for North after Scarlets swap

RUGBY UNION

BY MARC BAZELEY

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JIM Mallinder expects George North to make a huge impact at Franklin's Gardens after the Wales international winger's long-rumoured move from Scarlets to Northampton Saints was finally confirmed.

The 20-year-old has signed a three-year contract with the Saints, with the move also including compensation - reported to be up to £250,000 - for the Llanelli-based side to release North from the final year of his contract.

North will move to Northampton for the start of next season and director of rugby Mallinder is pleased he has finally put pen to paper after several weeks of negotiation.

"George is an outstanding talent and we're looking forward to him being a part of our squad for at least the next three years," said Mallinder.

"Despite still being at the start of his career he has shown repeatedly that he has the ability and temperament to succeed at the highest level of the game, and we believe that he will play a big role as we look to take the next steps in our development."

News of North's potential move broke just days after he helped Wales clinch the 2013 Six Nations title, with agent Christian Abt later confirming discussions had taken place between the clubs. However, an agreement was not reached until last Friday.

He is the latest Wales international to leave the Principality as



■ Jim Mallinder is expecting big things from new boy George North

the four regional sides struggle to make ends meet and Scarlets chief executive Mark Davies admitted it became increasingly difficult to keep hold of him once interest from other clubs became apparent.

"Despite our desire to retain all our internationals within the region, we have to balance our available resource over the need to sustain a 50-deep player squad that can continue to compete during international periods," said Davies.

"Taking that into account, we

made George the very best offer we could. However, we have to fully understand and appreciate that George's quite unique value in the rugby marketplace is considerably greater than what Scarlets as an independent business can reach."

Northampton have shied away from big name signings under Mallinder. However, the acquisitions of North, England prop Alex Corbisiero, Australia international front row Salesi Ma'afu and highly-rated Samoan scrum half Kahn

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